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REDS LAUNCH OFFENSIVE

Five Divisions In Major Push In The Charhar-Shansi Border Area Fresh Attacks In Shantung

Shanghai, Mar. 22. The Communists opened another front in China's protracted civil war during the last 24 hours when five divisions, totalling 60,000 troops under the veteran Red General Nieh Yung-chang, launched a major drive in the Charhar-Shansi border area along the central section of the Peiping-Suiyuan railway.

Pro-Government despatches today reported that the Nationalist cities of Yangkao, Chulopao and Lowensho in the north-east corner of Shansi (almost midway between the Great Wall city of Tatung and Kalgan), had already fallen to the Reds.

In support of the offensive, Communist irregulars are said to have cut the railway linking Peiping and Kalgan at over a dozen points, hampering the despatch of reinforcements by General Fu Tso-yi, the North China Commander-in-Chief.

The new battle front is within the area generally known as Inner Mongolia, which has been enjoying comparative peace for several months. Pro-Government quarters believe the main aim of the drive is to check the flow of Government reinforcements from North China to Manchuria.

In announcing the new Communist offensive, General Fu Tso-yi's headquarters in Peiping described it as an "all-out" effort to bring the Peiping-Suiyuan railway to a standstill.

General Nieh's columns are reported to be advancing toward both Tatung and Kalgan. "Spring Offensive" Meanwhile the Communists have stepped up what their radio describes as their spring offensive in Shantung province with fresh attacks in the centre and west.

Reinforced Red columns tightened their hold on Tsichuan, 60 miles east of Tullian, after night-long street fighting with the Government garrison which is now making a last stand in the southern corner of this coal-mining city.

A semi-official report claimed today that the Communists had already lost 15,000 killed and wounded in this battle.

The Reds have also made further headway in their drive in North-Kiangsu with the capture of the towns of Yiling and Fowning, 120 and 131 miles north-east of Nanking respectively.—Reuter.

Women Teachers Rationed

London, Mar. 22. Women teachers are to be rationed today by the Education Ministry to solve Britain's education problems this year.

The first step will be to form a mobile reserve of women teachers, ready to move from over-stuffed districts to places where there are insufficient teachers.

According to the Ministry, there are enough teachers—190,000, including 130,000 women—but they are distributed unevenly. Girl trainees will be placed on the mobile reserve when they leave training colleges and will later be asked to go wherever needed.

Local education officers will still be free to appoint men teachers without limit and the Ministry also urges the authorities to give preference to non-mobile teachers who have family or other responsibilities in their areas.

Other problems facing the Ministry are: 50,000 men and women waiting for vacancies at Government training colleges; headmasters being asked to employ some of them temporarily; the large amount of clerical work done by teachers; text and exercise book shortage; and building of new schools.—Reuter.

Britain To Keep Her Word

London, Mar. 22. The Cabinet met today and decided that the American abandonment of partition for Palestine could make no change to Britain's decision to abandon her mandate by May 15 and to clear her troops from the Holy Land by August 1.

It is understood the Cabinet considered the statement on Trieste to be made soon by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, in the House of Commons.—United Press.

HOTELS, STRIKERS DELEGATES CONFER

Locked in a three-hour conference, the Hong Kong Hotels management and strike delegates yesterday afternoon endeavoured to iron out the remaining differences which caused the strikers to walk-out on Friday last.

At the conclusion of the conference, the strike delegates expressed satisfaction with the terms arrived at. They said these would be submitted to a general meeting of the strikers later in the evening for confirmation.

The hotel management said they had gone all out to meet the men, and they expected acceptance of the compromise arrangement in which event the men would probably return to work on Wednesday.

Canton's Tribute To Hong Kong

Canton, Mar. 22. A warm tribute to the Government of Hong Kong for its cooperation with the Chinese postal services in solving postal matters following the fall of Canton into Japanese hands in the autumn of 1938 until Pearl Harbour in December, 1941, was paid by Mr. Wu Chao-ming, a high official of the Postal Service here.

In an article in the Tai Kwong Po, on the occasion of the 52nd anniversary of China's present postal service, Mr. Wu disclosed that the British authorities allowed a "Canton Post Office, Hong Kong Branch" to be established in the colony after the Japanese occupation of Canton.

"No country is allowed to operate a post office in territories of another country," said Mr. Wu, "and China had striven hard to get rid of the post offices established by foreign nations in her various treaty ports and succeeded. But to China's surprise, she was able to establish a 'Canton Post Office, Hong Kong Branch' with official permission from the Hong Kong authorities.

Mr. Wu's article went on to say that this gesture was all the more appreciated as Britain was then not at war with Japan: it showed Britain's sympathy with China during her ordeal.

"It was a most complicated procedure and the job had to be done with the utmost care and discretion."—Reuter.

Land Sold At 4 Times Upset Price

New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3514 at Apliu Street, Shumshuipo, with an area of 13,200 square feet, was sold at public auction at the Public Works Department yesterday to Mr. Kong Chip-wong of 14, Apliu Street, 2nd floor, for \$256,000—nearly four times the upset price.

The upset price was \$64,000, or \$5 a square foot. The first bid by Mr. Kong sent the price up to \$200,000 and when a second tender put in another \$10,000, Mr. Kong raised his offer to \$230,000.

Thenceforth by \$10,000, the lot was eventually knocked down to Mr. Kong.

Though there were over 50 people at the auction, the lot was sold by Mr. Kong to himself, and actually there were only three bidders for the land.

A condition of the sale is that within 24 calendar months, a sum of not less than \$200,000 must be paid for the lot. Mr. Kong's offer was \$230,000, and he has to pay \$10,000 down.

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PICTURE OF THE DAY New Look



Pandit Nehru, Prime Minister of India, in the hat and robe of a Doctor of Letters after receiving the honorary degree at Delhi University from Earl Mountbatten, acting in his capacity as Chancellor.

Austria Makes It Clear

Vienna, Mar. 21. The Secretary of the Interior, Ferdinand Graf, told a People's Party rally in the Soviet-occupied town of Poeggstall today that Austria would shatter all attempts by Communist high traitors to deprive us of our freedom.

A People's Party spokesman earlier had reported that the Russians demanded that Graf submit his speech for censorship. The spokesman said the Russians rescinded the order "on a higher level" after Graf flatly refused to comply.

Graf told the rally the Government would meet the "brutal terror of a political minority with methods applied day in and day out by the people's democracies."

"We shall very decidedly prevent the Communists from forcing Austria into their straight jacket," better known as slavery," he said.—United Press.

Rift In Kuomintang Ranks Widens

Nanking, Mar. 22. The rift in the Kuomintang ranks widened yesterday as Dr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Party Organisation, threw his weight behind the popularly elected National Assembly delegates in the still deadlocked controversy over the allocation of seats, with the scheduled convocation now only a week off.

In an interview with the selected delegates, whom the Party still refused recognition, Dr. Chen promised to take the issue personally to President Chiang Kai-shek, who as Director-General of the Kuomintang, is alone able to reverse the Party's commitment in a party agreement.

Dr. Chen is quoted as saying that from the legal point of view, when the National Assembly is convened, the delegates elected by the people will have the right to elect the President and Vice-President.

He said that the Government should not ignore the will of the people.

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British Commonwealth Helped Save World

Ready To Do It Again If The Need Arises

Nanking, Mar. 22. "Together we have poured out our wealth and strength to help save the world from domination by totalitarian tyranny. And let there be no mistake about this: if necessary—which God forbid—we would do it again," said the British Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson, in Nanking tonight.

He was speaking before a gathering of Empire diplomats and Chinese Government leaders at a farewell dinner to Professor D. B. Copland, Australian Minister, and Mr. K. P. S. Menon, Indian Ambassador. Professor Copland is returning to Australia to become Chancellor of the National University, while Mr. Menon is returning to India to take up a post in the Indian Government.

"Somehow, we of the British Commonwealth nations have between us worked out the way to bind together widely scattered peoples. I think the real reason for its success is that members are bound together with the bonds of liberty."

"How strong those bonds are has been shown in the course of the last 30 years, during which the Commonwealth has been mobilised one day in every three."

"The result has been material poverty for the family but that can be set right, and is being set right, by hard work and discipline," added Sir Ralph.

The Canadian Ambassador, Mr. T. C. Davis, joint host with Sir Ralph Stevenson, drew attention to Mr. Menon's two years' sojourn in China, which he said was a most complex and at times disturbing experience.

Mr. Davis spoke highly of Menon's work in the United Nations Korean Commission. Turning to the ceremony which took place in Nanking on August 16 last year—when India and Pakistan became independent nations—Mr. Davis said:

"I will never forget the speech delivered by Mr. Menon on that day. I was completely overwhelmed by the felicity and beauty of the language he used."

"I thought that if this was the type of man that India produced and who is playing a leading role in the creation of governmental policy in India, then the world would have no fear for the future of that great country."

"Living Witness" "Hosts and guests of honour alike belong to the British Commonwealth nations," Professor Copland said. "They represent countries with vastly different interests and problems but they stand as a living witness that people can come together in a political association for certain purposes."

"British political development is unique in history, and though it may not afford an example for peoples of diverse races, religious and political beliefs, it is an association which will endure and continue to serve the high purpose of the British Commonwealth."

"It is with mixed feelings that I leave Nanking. My two years' sojourn in China have allowed me to see that the world is a most complex and at times disturbing place."

"But for all that, I firmly believe that China will surmount the dangers and steepness of her present crisis and will once again impart stability to the area of the world in which Australia is so vitally interested."—Reuter-AAP.

Yellow River Threat

Nanking, Mar. 22. The Yellow River is threatening to burst its man-made bonds along the Shantung-Honan border because the civil war is preventing adequate maintenance of the dykes, Central News reports from Kalgan.

The dispatch said spring floodwaters were already battering against the retaining walls completed a year ago by joint UNRRA-Government-Communist cooperation. Central News said efforts of the Government's Yellow River administration to maintain the dykes were hampered by Communist military operations.

Should the Yellow River break through the dykes at this point, it was feared (the report said) that great areas west of Shantung and North Kiangsu would be inundated with probable flooding of both the Tientsin-Peking and Lunghai railroads.—Associated Press.

GODOWN FIRE

Shanghai, Mar. 22. A fire broke out in a godown at the Government Storehouse, Bay View, today, and the fire was extinguished by the fire department.

The Pact Works

Nanking, Mar. 22. The smuggling of anti-mony and tungsten via Hong Kong has been reduced as a result of the Sino-Hong Kong anti-smuggling agreement, according to the "Peace Daily News" today.

The agreement stipulated strict control over all exports of metals via Hong Kong and also raised the Chinese Government purchasing price for metals.—United Press.

Ban On Radio Reception

Shanghai, Mar. 22. The general public in China will henceforth be permitted to listen in only to "legitimate broadcasts" both on short and long wavelengths from domestic and "friendly nation" stations, according to new regulations announced today by the Ministry of Communications.

Radio owners are ordered to register their sets with the local authorities.

It is also laid down that the range of radios must be within 550 and 15,000 kilocycles and 6 to 26.6 megacycles.

No reason is given for the sudden clamping down to these restrictions, nor are "friendly nations" specified.

It is announced, however, that radio owners found violating the order will be fined or their radios sealed for a period of from 15 days to six months, or have their radios confiscated in serious cases.—Reuter.

'AMERICAN CATSPAWS,' SAYS MR. POLLITT

Rhondda, Mar. 21. Britain's leading Communist said today that the United States seems to think it can get the "mercenary armies" of Western Europe to "do the fighting against the Soviet Union and the new Democracies."

The Communist General Secretary Harry Pollitt said that is why America has offered to back the new British-French-Low Countries union with arms, "while the American millionaires make the munitions and the profits."

In his statement to the American Congress, Pollitt told a "Trade Union" meeting, "President Truman has placed the Presidential stamp of approval on all the war hysteria and the warmongering propaganda which has been unleashed by the American millionaires and trust magnates."

He added that "the people of America might care to think of what has happened to the arms and money they have already poured into Greece, China and Turkey" before they go along with this policy.

The coal-mining town of Rhondda, where he spoke, is one of the centres of Communist concentration in Britain. Pollitt barely failed to win election to Parliament in this constituency at the 1945 general elections.

"Intervention" Pollitt said that the United States is trying to head off a communist victory in the Italian election, next month through "the most blatant intervention in the internal affairs of another nation."

He declared: "The Italian people are being told that for reasons of war we will either starve or kill them."

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Rice Rationing In Canton

Canton, Mar. 22. Rice rationing will come into force for the first time in Canton's history on April 1. As from that date, each person making up the city's population of 1,400,000 will be able to purchase half a catty (a little over half a pound) of rationed rice from the 269 shops.

This rationed rice will be sold at five per cent below the market price.

Mr. W. J. Duncan, Adviser to the Canton Ration Board, told Reuter that this first attempt at a rationing scheme has a good chance of success.

"We have obtained the necessary co-operation from the ordinary rice dealers, who will be selling cur rice and, in fact, everything has so far gone on very smoothly. If organisation, effort and goodwill can be any criteria, then the scheme should succeed."

Ration cards are being issued to the foreign as well as the Chinese populace, and each card specifies where a family is to go for its rationed rice. These cards are valid for three ten-day periods in a month, new cards being given for the following month during the last ten-day period.

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Listowel Meets The Press Views And Impressions

"I have spent five very pleasant days in Hong Kong, have met many people, and have gained a lot of impressions. But it is hardly possible for me to be a walking encyclopaedia within this short space of time upon many of the problems facing you!" said Lord Listowel, Minister of State for Colonial Affairs, at a Press conference yesterday afternoon.

Lord Listowel said his first impression was of the beauty of Hong Kong. It was one of the loveliest cities of the world that he had visited, nestling at the foot of a majestic peak and girdled by the sea, all of which gave it a romantic atmosphere.

His next impression was of the energy and enterprise of the people in reconstructing the city and restoring it to its pre-war prosperity. The determination shown by everyone in this direction aroused his deepest admiration.

But despite this remarkable progress in the Colony's rehabilitation it was impossible to escape the impression of a dire housing shortage. It was so all congested that there was no room, no chance for normal healthy growth. This Lord Listowel attributed in large measure to the interruption of normal building development during the war years, so that Hong Kong was a victim of circumstances and, despite the efforts being made, there was a big leeway to make up.

The problem, as His Lordship understood it, had been aggravated by the great influx of people into the Colony since the end of the war, so that the population was now swollen to figures reported to him at nearly two millions.

"It is a credit to Hong Kong, to its present and potential prosperity, that so many people are attracted to it," said Lord Listowel.

He referred to his visit to the New Territories on Saturday and said he was greatly impressed by the extent of the area under cultivation and the amount of reforestation that had taken place to repair the ravages of the Japanese occupation. It was all so creditable to those responsible for bringing this vast rehabilitation programme about, said Lord Listowel. He stressed the importance of developing agriculture to meet the Colony's food requirements.

Government's efforts in improving farming methods were commended by Lord Listowel when he referred to his visit to the agricultural stations at Sheungshui and Kum Tin in the New Territories. He said these stations should contain the seeds of many good things in the future. Improved methods of production also meant improvement in the farmers' livelihood.

"I have also been deeply impressed by what you have been doing for the fishermen, who lead a most strenuous life, and I am glad that as a result of the help given them in marketing their fish there has been an increase in receipts and an improvement in their lot," said Lord Listowel.

Health Problems

Referring to the Colony's hospitals and welfare centres, His Lordship said: "You can be immensely proud of your medical service in Hong Kong. It is the finest medical service on the Western Pacific seaboard."

The Tung Wah was a very fine institution, maintained by public subscriptions, but it was to the Government-maintained hospitals that one must look to cater to the needs of the population.

"It seems that one of your greatest health problems at the moment is the future of those people who are affected by tuberculosis and those who may go easily because of victims of this dreaded disease," continued Lord Listowel. He added he was reassured to hear from the Director of Medical Services that there was a plan for about 500 additional beds for such cases.

"He is, of course, relying in part on the success of the appeal that is being made for money to provide more beds for TB patients. It is most encouraging to hear there is going to be an expansion of accommodation for these cases, for the great difficulty with TB is that the patient never stays in hospital or rests in bed for a very long time, for it is not possible to take people in ulcers, unless leave hospital."

"In the case of Hong Kong the problem is tied up with the housing question, making it so much more difficult of solution."

Lord Listowel then referred to the remarkable trade recovery of Hong Kong, and said he had been informed the Colony's imports

and exports were back to their pre-war level. It was a great credit to Hong Kong commercial enterprise. This trade recovery was of benefit not only to Hong Kong and South China, but to the whole Pacific seaboard with which Hong Kong traded, and it was an encouraging example of enterprise.

The Press

Lord Listowel was favourably impressed with the length and substance of the Hong Kong daily papers, containing as they did so many pages, whereas at home, due to newspaper shortage, there had to be severely cut down.

Lord Listowel said two questions had been put to him since his arrival in Hong Kong.

One was, whether the British Commonwealth should join the Western Union? That he could not answer, as it had to be considered by the individual members of the Commonwealth. He was sure that the matter would be carefully considered.

The other question was about the delay in setting up Hong Kong's Municipal Council. He said that there were technical and administrative problems to be settled but he did not think it would be long now. A draft of the constitution would be introduced at the earliest possible moment, since the administrative machinery was set up.

On Right Line

"I do not wish to repeat what I said over ZBW but I consider the setting up of administration in the city in a popular democratic footing, a development along the right line," said Lord Listowel.

A question was then put by a Chinese reporter on his impression of the Colony's newspapers. Lord Listowel replied he could not read the Chinese press, but said the Press had a big responsibility. It could support and popularise any good work Government was doing, and could help Government to carry out such good work. At the same time, the Press could criticise Government if what it was doing was not what the public wanted.

"And I think if the Press works in that spirit," said Lord Listowel, "it is doing a useful public service."

Lord Listowel was unable to answer another question put by the Chinese Press in regard to the grant of £100,000 for the development of Hong Kong. He said not having had notice of the question he would have to refer to his advisers and would give a written reply.

War Damage

Replying to another question about delay in war damage compensation, Lord Listowel said though a decision has not yet been reached he believed it was on the way. The delay in this matter could easily be explained, if one looked at it from the UK point of view.

Firstly, in assessing war damages, one had to do this not only for Hong Kong, but also for Malaya, Borneo and other areas in South East Asia.

Secondly, in assessing any damage in Hong Kong, any such decision must also apply to other places similarly affected, and agreement must be reached with them.

Thirdly, the economic position at home must be taken into consideration. At home, they had to export or die. They shipped motor cars to the United States in order to get back wheat. They could not afford to ship goods out in payment for war damages and get nothing in return. The hard lot of the British taxpayer must also claim consideration.

Lord Listowel said he would be leaving the Colony on Wednesday by air, stop over for a night at Hong Kong, and then proceed to Rangoon where he will be the guest of the Government of Burma for a couple of days, before returning to England.

No War!

Before the conference concluded, Lord Listowel said he had

Swindle On Lane, Crawford's

Pleading guilty to obtaining goods by false pretences, Cheung Siu Hon, 28, was remanded by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central Magistracy yesterday to April 12 for sentence, when the case of Tam Kwok Shun, 23, charged with being the receiver of stolen goods, will be heard.

Tam, who is on \$2,000 bail, is defended by Mr. P. C. Woo, whose application for a reduction of bail was refused by Mr. d'Almada on the grounds that the goods involved are valued at over \$900.

D.S.I. Shaw told the court that Cheung, together with one Au Siu Yap, who is not in custody, obtained on March 15 two gold Rolex watches from Lane, Crawford's by false pretences.

Tam is charged with having purchased the watch from Cheung.

ATS Sergeant

Sgt. P. Turton of the A.T.S. was complainant against a young Chinese who pleaded guilty to larceny of her handbag from 44 Kennedy Road at 2.15 am. yesterday.

The bag contained an Army pay book, a brown leather wallet containing a small amount of cash, and a fountain pen. Defendant, according to Inspector Moran, was seen running away on the approach of a police constable. He was chased and arrested but nothing was found on him.

Taken back to the station he admitted having stolen a handbag from the above address. Defendant was remanded 24 hours for sentence.

Sauce For The Gander

He saw in a Chinese press report that CN\$50,000,000 could be taken into Canton, so naturally he thought it would work in the same way into the colony. Au Sau-chuen, 22-year-old money changer, of No. 242, Des Voeux Road, fourth floor, told Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when he and two married women of the same address appeared charged with illegally importing \$50,000,000 Chinese currency.

Defendants, who were found to possess altogether CN\$75,000,000 when searched at the KCR last Sunday evening by ROs during a routine operation, stated that they brought up with them the same amount and were only bringing back what they had taken along with them.

They were only visiting Canton for a holiday trip, they added.

Mr. Latimer pointed out to RO Knox that defendants had assurance that they were entitled to possess certain amount and that they were taking with them the same sum which they had brought up to Canton.

RO Knox requested a remand for further investigation. The Magistrate agreed and remanded the defendants to Wednesday morning.

been asked by someone whether, in view of what happened in December 1941, there was likely to be a Third World War.

"I don't think there's going to be a third world war," the said smiling. "I'm sure no one in the world wants another world war, and I think you can safely say your time at rest instead of allowing it to be troubled by the thought of a pending Third World War."

Killearn Leaving

London, Mar. 22. Lord Killearn, British Special Commissioner in South-East Asia, is leaving Singapore on retirement on March 23 after 45 years of service with the British Foreign Office.

Lord Killearn's final post of his long and distinguished career in the diplomatic service was in many ways the most important and difficult of all.

Juryman Excused

Speaking in English, Tang Wu, Comptroller of the Hong Kong United Trading Co., who was called as a juror at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, applied to Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Puisne Judge), for leave to be excused jury service on the ground that he did not understand English sufficiently well to enable him to follow the proceedings in Court.

Mr. Justice Gould ordered that Tang stand down and directed that he be brought before the Registrar of the Court and tested.

"Disgraceful" Procedure

"This procedure of bringing a case before me without a charge being preferred is most disgraceful and this is not the first time that it has been done," remarked Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central Magistracy yesterday to Inspector Brovarick.

Mr. d'Almada further instructed the Inspector to convey to the Officer concerned what he had said.

Towards the end of the morning's sitting it was discovered that a woman hawker was still inside the dock. Asked what she was in for, she said that she was arrested on Saturday morning for hawking onions and parsley.

The matter was ordered to be referred back to the Hawker Department.

Charged with being the keeper of an opium den at the ground floor of 3 Chi Ma Lane, Shauiwan, Lau Sun received nine months' hard labour and a recommendation for banishment when he pleaded guilty before Mr. P. X. d'Almada at Central Magistracy yesterday.

Alleged Intent To Utter Forged Notes

Yui Ming, 28, Wong Pul, 31, and Hui Kin Het, 29, appeared before Mr. Thomas Tam at Central Magistracy yesterday on charges of conspiring together on Dec. 29 to utter 1,000 Bank of Siam 20-tical notes, knowing them to be forged, and with intent to defraud.

A further charge of being in possession of 20,000 ticals knowing them to be forged was preferred against first and second defendants.

A charge of being in possession of forged bank notes on Dec. 30 was preferred against first defendant.

A further charge of having known a felony had been committed by Chau Kwai, not in custody, by possessing forged bank notes and that he did unlawfully conceal commission of a felony was preferred against second defendant.

Mr. Sutherland Russ appeared for second defendant. The other two were not legally represented. Insp. T. Cashman prosecuted.

Insp. Cashman in outlining the case said that first defendant went to the Wing Cheong Money Changer in Feder Street and changed 20,000 ticals.

Later the money changer sold some of the ticals to Miss A. E.

Prosaic Evidence Hid Some Smart Detective Work

Behind the prosaic evidence tendered by Det. Sub-Inspector D. S. Roberts, and Police witnesses, before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday against Lau Po-ngau (25), Chong Wing-chung (27), Wong Kau (39) and his 27-year-old wife, Leung Chung, was the story of some of the smartest detective work in the Colony for some time.

The four defendants were charged with possession of counterfeit Hong Kong Government 10-cent notes on March 1.

It was alleged that Lau and Chong had 500 of the notes at 104 Tai Nam Street, first floor, and that they actually uttered the notes. Chong was further charged with possession of 313 notes at the same address, and another 70 at 35 Nam Chang Street, first floor.

Third defendant was stated to have had 2,073 notes in his possession on the stairway of 124 Des Voeux Road Central, while his wife (fourth accused) was alleged to have had 1,368 notes on the roof of the house.

After formal evidence, defendants were committed for trial at the next Sessions. Det. Sub-Inspector C. Dowman prosecuted.

According to the evidence, information was received by the Shamshui C.I.D. early in the morning of March 1 that persons were offering dud 10-cent notes for sale.

The informer was given some genuine 10 notes, marked, with instructions to purchase as many counterfeits as possible. He went to 104 Tai Nam Street, first floor, while the plainclothes men waited outside in the street.

Shadowed

The Police agent, it was alleged, approached Lau Po-ngau and was told to wait in the premises while the latter went to get the notes. Lau was shadowed by a Chinese detective to 38 Nam Chang Street, first floor, where it was stated, he approached Chong who accompanied him back to the Tai Nam Street address, with the Chinese detective trailing behind.

As the Police agent said that the 313 produced by Chong was insufficient, Lau and Chong went to 124 Des Voeux Road, Central, where they had a conference with Wong and his wife, with a Chinese detective a most interested spectator.

When the two men returned to 104 Tai Nam Street, first floor, and told the Police agent that they could obtain the necessary amount for him, the detectives, under Sub-Inspectors C. Dowman and D. S. Roberts, entered the premises.

On the first two accused, said the prosecution, were found a total of 500 dud notes—187 on Lau and 313 on Chong—which they were going to hand over to the Police agent.

More Notes

The Police party then went over to 124 Des Voeux Road, Central, where, under the stairs leading up to the first floor, they found a bundle of 2,000 notes in a basket and another 78 among the clothing of Wong Kau.

Inside a shed on the roof of the house, occupied by Leung Chung, the Police found 68 dud notes. Leung, it was alleged, on seeing the Police, threw over the roof a bundle which, when picked up by the Police in the street, was found to contain 1,300 counterfeit 10-cent notes.

Returning to Shamshui with the third and fourth accused (and their 13-year-old niece, who was yesterday, on the application of DSI Dowman, discharged), the detectives paid a visit to 38 Nam Chang Street, first floor, where, in a cubicle occupied by the second defendant, they found another 70 dud notes.

The first two defendants, when questioned, alleged that Chiu Kum-tong, a printer's broker, was also in the affair. Investigations, however, revealed that around Chinese New Year time Chiu jokingly said that if he could get some dud notes he would be a rich man. He took no active part in the transactions, nor was he even aware of what was going on, said the prosecution.

Detectives' Lucky Hunch

Detectives 755 and 835 acted on a hunch. While patrolling Kowloon City last Sunday at 2.45 a.m., they thought they saw a shadow hovering outside No. 51, Sha Po Road. Both concentrated on this point for 10 minutes and saw the shadow materialising into a Chinese male. He was then seen to throw something away.

Questioned by the two detectives, Yeung Lam-yuen, 26-year-old unemployed, could not give a satisfactory answer as to his presence in the area at that time of the night. A search revealed that he had thrown away some keys.

He was brought to the station and charged with loitering with intent.

That was only the beginning. Yeung was found to have two previous convictions against him, and was additionally charged with breach of deportation order.

Yesterday he appeared at Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. Blair-Kerr who sentenced him to 15 months' hard labour on both counts and recommended him to be re-deported.

Defendant took Inspector Lowe back to his house where the other two defendants were picked up.

Corroborative evidence was given by Ho Kik, money changer, and his shrift, Wu.

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The case was adjourned until today.

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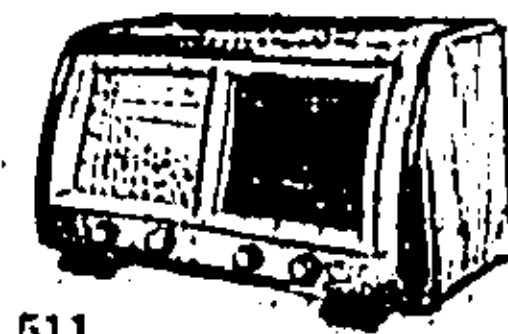
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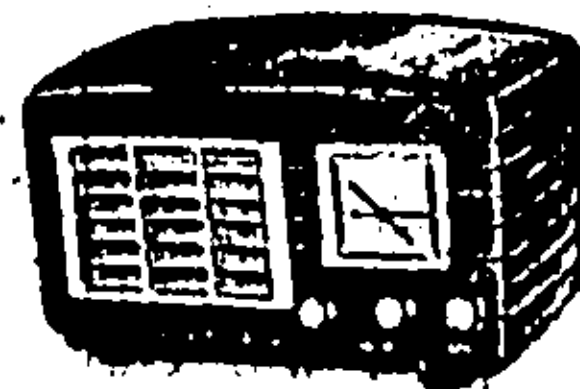
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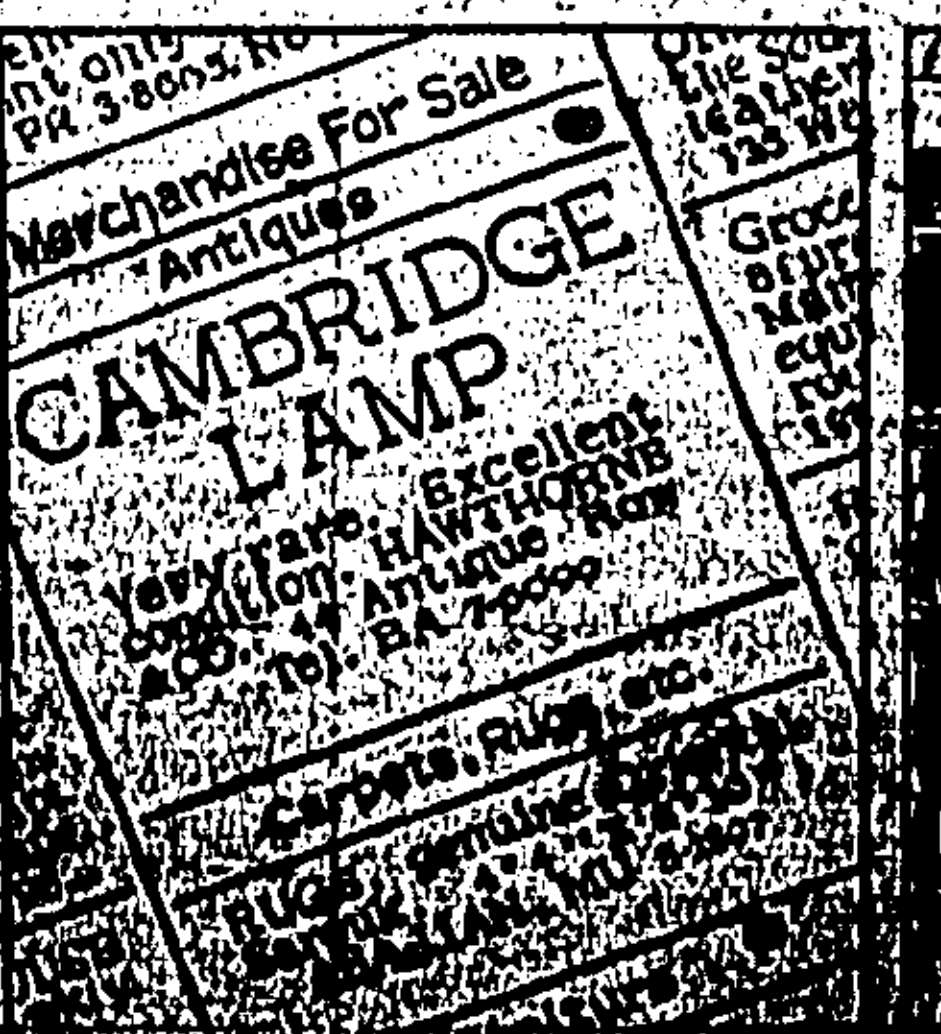
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E. F. S. FISHER,
Suptdg. Naval Store Officer.

OFFICIAL NOTICE
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We, INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD., Pedder St., Hong Kong, hereby give notice that in consequence of a desire to maintain a uniform system of nomenclature. We have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the motor ship "EWO III" of HONG KONG REGISTRY Official Number 155837, Register tonnage 24.20 tons, heretofore owned by us the said Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., for permission to change her name to "INDO" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of HONG KONG as owned by us the said Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING at HONG KONG within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-fifth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, 24th March, 1948, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December, 1947, and to elect Directors and appoint Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 10th March, 1948, to Wednesday, the 24th March, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. TAYLOR,
Manager & Secretary.
Hong Kong, 21st Feb., 1948.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fourteenth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, on Wednesday, the 31st day of March, 1948, at 12 o'clock noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts as at 31st December, 1947, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Register and transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd to the 31st day of March, 1948 both days inclusive.

GEORGE Y. K. SUN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 18th March, 1948.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, Limited, Hongkong on Wednesday, 24th day of March, 1948, at 12 o'clock Noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

And, NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 10th to the 24th day of March, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. H. PATERSON,
Secretary
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1948.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Chung Tin Building, First floor, 5, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Thursday, 8th April, 1948, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1947, and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 25th March, 1948, until Thursday, 8th April, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Hongkong, 10th March, 1948.

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TRIESTE RETURN PROPOSAL Condemnation By Communists

London, Mar. 21.
The Soviet and Yugoslav Governments had made no official reply today to the three Western powers' proposal that the great Adriatic port of Trieste should be handed back to Italy. Communists in France and Italy condemned the plan.

Twenty-four hours after the announcement of the proposal by Britain, the United States and France, no Soviet comment had been published and Moscow Radio had not mentioned the subject. The Yugoslav press carried a brief report, without comment. Reuters correspondent reported from Belgrade: A Government spokesman in Belgrade, however, strongly denied an assertion in the three-power proposal that Yugoslavia had taken police state measures in that part of the Free Territory which she administers.

The spokesman denied, too, that Italians had been expelled from the Zone. In Trieste itself, Milan Radio said, crowds in the streets greeted the news of the plan with pro-Italian patriotic songs and flags waved from every balcony.

Carrying On
The Allied Military Government was carrying on as usual.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-eighth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, Windsor House, Mezzanine Floor, Hong Kong, on Thursday 15th April, 1948, at 11 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1947, to sanction the declaration of a Dividend and Bonus and to re-elect Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 1st April, 1948, to 15th April, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
G. MILNE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1948.

REAR ENGINE DID NOT STOP

Rome, Mar. 21.
Coaches of a train were telescoped between two engines in an accident in which four people were killed and 60 injured near Sade, eight miles north of Rome, today.

The communication cord was pulled for an unknown reason. The train had an engine at each end and the rear engine failed to stop.

—Reuter.

Belgrade Comment

Belgrade, Mar. 21.
The three Western powers' proposal that Trieste should be handed back to Italy was described today by Tanjug, the Yugoslav news agency, as "a measure intended to prevent an agreement between Italy and Yugoslavia."

This comment, the first to be made in Belgrade, accompanied a report from the Tanjug correspondent on the statement by Signor Palmiro Togliatti, the Secretary-General of the Italian Communist Party, in today's Italian Communist newspaper, Unità, describing the plan as "not only an election speculation but a crude attempt to drag Italy into an atmosphere of war by speculating on Italian feelings."

Reds Hostile
An independent Italian newspaper, Messaggero, commented: "For the first time since 1943, the Western powers have anticipated the Soviet Government in presenting a constructive proposal on one of the most delicate and dangerous international issues."

Communist opinion in France was openly hostile, with the Communist newspaper l'Humanité asking: "Where are those who threaten peace? Where are those who wear up treaties like scraps of paper? Where are those who carry on secret diplomacy? The warmongers are in Washington, in London and in Paris."

The French right wing newspapers praised the initiative of the three Western powers, with a right wing Radical source describing the Turin speech of the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, who announced the plan, as "the severest blow that could be aimed at the men of the Kremlin."

The Socialist Populaire questioned, however, whether the moment was opportune for a revision of the peace treaty. "Perhaps it is less necessary to give Trieste to Italy in the face of Soviet and Yugoslav opposition than to consolidate the Western democracies by gaining the sympathy of the

Effect On Italian Election

Turin, Mar. 21.
The Western powers' proposal for the return of Trieste to Italy and the signature yesterday of a Franco-Italian customs union protocol were regarded by observers here today as likely to swing next month's Italian elections decisively in favour of the anti-Communist.

Italians felt today the Trieste proposal was only the beginning of a thorough revision of the peace treaty and the proposal itself was therefore all the more welcomed in both official and unofficial quarters.

While Trieste is of tremendous importance to the Italian, the colonial issue, the limitation of Italy's police and army, and the handing over of her navy are all points on which Italians would like to see the peace treaty revised.

The Soviet Union was expected here to seek to postpone action on Trieste indefinitely rather than flatly accept or reject the three-power proposal.

Party, today branded the joint Western proposal for the return of Trieste to Italian sovereignty as "a provocation by warmongers and intervention in the Italian election campaign."

He was speaking at a Communist rally in Laval, Brittany.—Reuter.

Readers' Letters

The Mental Home

Sir,—Twelve months ago you published several letters from correspondents protesting against the shocking state of affairs at the Mental Home and in the course of the Budget Debate in the Legislative Council shortly afterwards the Hon. R. D. Gillespie also drew attention to the matter.

In his reply the Financial Secretary agreed that the staff of the Home were working under almost impossible conditions while the "Director" of Medical Services remarked that the present buildings date back to 1883 and 1899 and also confessed to the disadvantages and handicaps of the existing institution.

I feel sure therefore that many people hoped and believed that before long something would be done to ameliorate the lot of our unfortunate fellow beings—who are confined in circumstances which have been stated to be a disgrace to the Colony.

It is therefore deplorable to find that in the Budget Speech made by the Financial Secretary on March 19th no reference whatever was made to the Mental Home.

Apparently the Medical Department is to spend \$15,765,281 during the forthcoming year or more than 10% of the total contemplated expenditure of the Colony yet curiously enough when reviewing what he described as the more important items of expenditure the Financial Secretary gave no details whatever, according to your published report, beyond a reference to the proposed new Tuberculosis Clinic, as to how this, the second largest, vote is to be expended.

In view of the publicity given and the references to the Mental Home last year it was surely to be expected that some indication would this year be given as to plans to deal with the present deplorable situation.

May we hope that during the forthcoming Budget Debate official Members of the Legislative Council will press for and Government give information of the steps to be taken to provide decent conditions for our mental defectives.

The public conscience is involved and this must no longer be a case of out of sight out of mind.

H. C. M.

Charities

Sir,—I should be grateful if you would spare me space in your valued journal for something which bothers me and perhaps many of your readers.

The situation in Hong Kong regarding subscriptions to various charities is, to say the least, completely out of hands.

On Saturday last, I was pestered in my office by solicitors from three different charities completely unknown to me.

It happens that my firm allows me a generous annual budget for subscriptions to Hong Kong charities, but it is impossible to know how to divide this among the numerous known and unknown callers who are liable to descend upon one any time during the year with appeals for support.

In Manila there is an excellent organization known as Associated Charities. This Association registers all worthy causes so that both firms and individuals can make a subscription once per year. It is in the Association's hands to divide the subscription from the public between the various charities, and the share to each depends upon the merits of each particular cause. Newspaper publicity is given both to the members of the Associated Charities and to the amounts they receive each year so the man in the street has the satisfaction of knowing that his contribution, small or large, has been fairly received by worthy causes. Non-members of the Associated Charities who solicit for funds are told that they had better apply for membership of the Associated Charities.

In every buyer of a flag in Hong Kong absolutely certain that his dollar definitely reaches the treasury of the charity selling the flag? In these days when men will commit murder in the hills for a wrist watch, it is strange for a flock of school children to be allowed to run all over Hong Kong with tin cans full of money. Has anyone ever heard of bagmen in the centre of the town? It seems not.

It would not take the Government Welfare Officers more than one week to register all the worthy charities and disburse those which deserve nothing. The list could be published in the newspapers and an appeal could then be made to the community to forward names to a Committee to supervise the receipt of subscriptions (crossed cheques for preference) and fair distribution to the charities.

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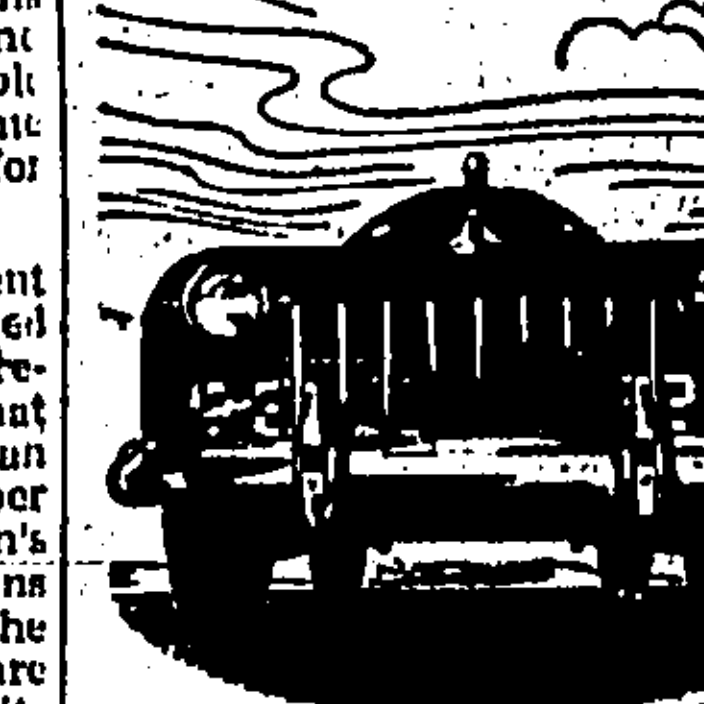
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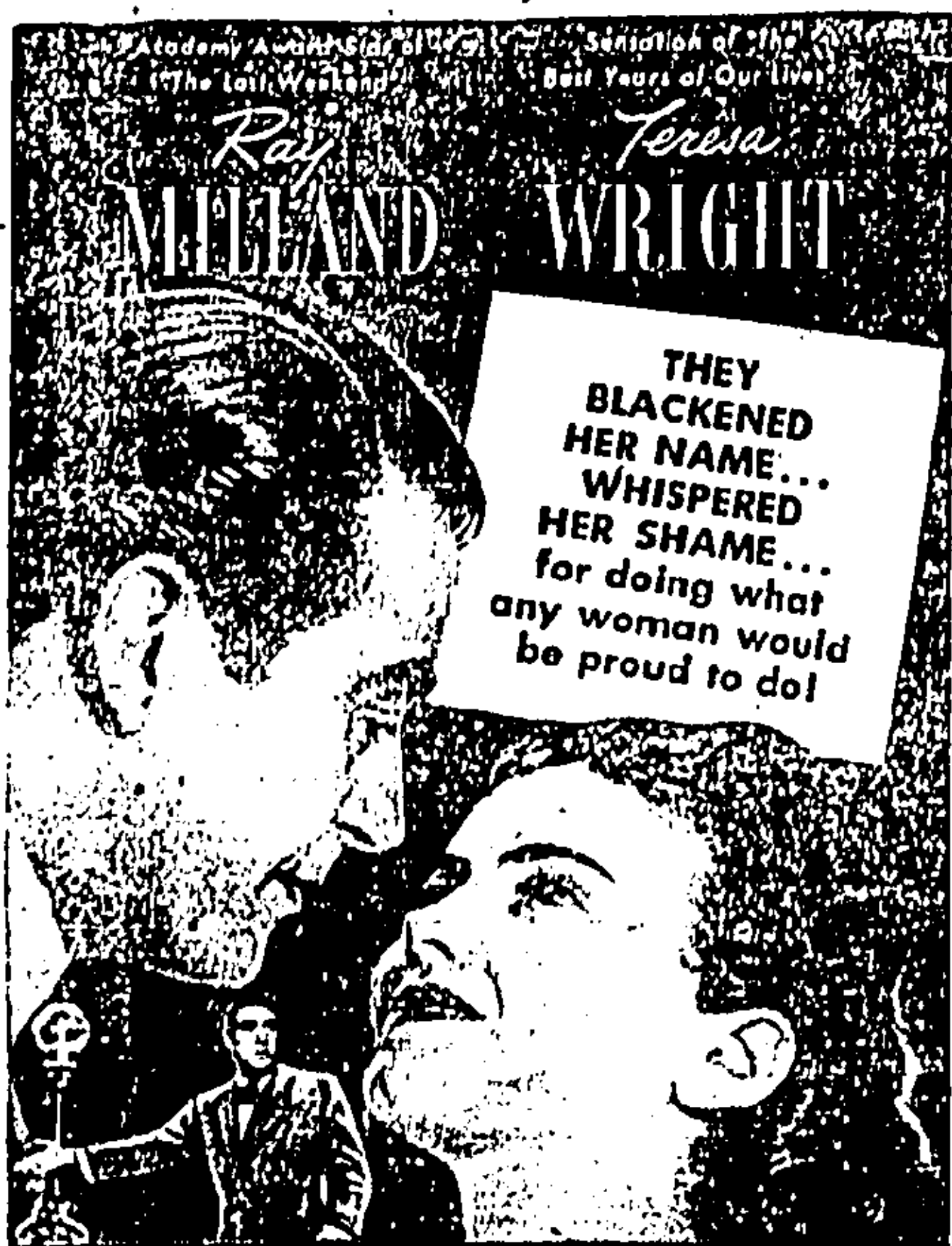
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BRITISH ATOM DISCOVERY

Scientists' Claim To Meson Particle

Photographs In Bristol Lab

London, Mar. 21. British atomic scientists, examining rival claims here and in the United States, today pressed the view that British scientists had discovered the "meson particle," the "glue" which holds together the atomic nucleus whose disruption produces the atom bomb's violent release of energy.

They described the discovery as "the greatest thing in atomic energy since the discovery of uranium."

Members for distinction are Dr. G. D. Rochester and Dr. C. C. Butler, lecturers in physics at Manchester University, and 23-year-old Dr. Cesare M. D. Lattes, a Brazilian scientist.

The British pair stated in a lecture on Jan. 15 that they had discovered the meson particle. Dr. Lattes claims to have made his discovery on Feb. 21. It was announced by the United States Atomic Energy Commission last week, and is recognised in the United States.

Whichever claimant is eventually accredited with the discovery, it is indisputable that the basic research was done in Britain, for Dr. Lattes did most of his work at the Wills Laboratory at Bristol, Somerset, in collaboration with Professor C. F. Powell.

Cloud Chamber

His photographs of the meson particle were secured by techniques developed by Professor Powell. It was stated in London.

Dr. Rochester, one of the British claimants, said that he and Dr. Butler had made a 12-month investigation into the nature of the penetrating particles occurring in cosmic ray showers.

"The discovery of the meson particle came about as the result of taking photographs of cosmic rays in a cloud chamber," he said.

Professor P. M. B. Blackett, one of Britain's known physicists, commented: "These young men certainly made a very important discovery, which was undoubtedly the meson particle."

Invalid

A spokesman for the Atomic Scientists' Association said today: "It is too early to say just what purpose the meson will serve. One thing is certain. The particle will aid scientists in securing a greater understanding of atomic energy. It is invaluable for research work."

"It has been suggested that it will make possible the release of far greater atomic energy, but this remains to be seen," he said.

NO MORE HEADS ON SHOW

Shanghai, Mar. 22. A report from Nanking said today that the National Government has decreed that provincial and municipal authorities strictly prohibiting the revival of the old practice of decorating executed or killed criminals and displaying heads "as an example for all others."

Recently the decorated head of a killed guerrilla unit leader in the Shanghai area was displayed outside the city gate.—United Press.

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Creeping Monster Controls U.S.

Chicago, Mar. 22. Senator Alben Barkley, Democrat, said today that a "creeping monster that endangers our civilization and our Christianity" now controls America.

Italian Colonies Issue

Washington, Mar. 22. American support for placing the former Italian colonies of Eritrea and Somalia under Italian trusteeship is being considered by officials here as a further measure of support to Italy following the three-power proposal for the return of Trieste.

Two other measures being considered here are:

An offer by Greece, with the support and presumably the financial help of the Western powers, to renounce her reparations from Italy if Russia will counter within the Russian orbit renounce theirs.

A revival of the Western powers' attempt to persuade Russia to withdraw her veto of Italian membership of the United Nations. Russia has hitherto made the admission of Bulgaria and Rumania to the United Nations a condition of her support for Italy's admission.—Reuter.

Call To British Jewry

London, Mar. 21. Professor S. Brodetsky, President of the Board of Deputies of British Jews and a member of the Executive of the Jewish Agency in Palestine, called today on Anglo Jewry to stand behind the principle of asserting Jewish Statehood in at least part of Palestine.

Addressing a meeting of the Board of Deputies, Professor Brodetsky declared that he found it hard to reconcile the statement of the American Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, that he had suggested the withdrawal of American support for partition, with Mr. Marshall's declaration in the same speech that the United States could not stand aside and see nations destroyed one by one.

"I think the Jews have the right to say we agree with that general policy completely and we ask that it should also apply to the Jewish people as a whole," he said.—Reuter.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH

London, Mar. 21. A London Sunday paper said today that Princess Elizabeth is expected to have a baby in October. The story drew an official "no comment" from Buckingham Palace sources. It is the first time a British newspaper has come out with a definite statement as to the Princess's pregnancy.—Associated Press.

Why Benes Gave In To Reds

Frankfurt, Mar. 21. President Eduard Benes gave in to Communist demands when he learned that large formations of Soviet troops ostensibly on routine manoeuvres were converging on Czechoslovakia's frontiers.

A group of non-Communist Ministers and members of Parliament told the United Press that they feared that if President Benes had been able to get the Czech army to put down Communist Premier Klement Gottwald's February putsch, Soviet troops manoeuvring in the Soviet occupation zones in Germany, Austria and Russia would have been ordered into Czechoslovakia.

"Of course, we could not expect a similar move by the West," the Czech refugees pointed out, "and there was nothing for Benes to do but give in."—United Press.

Spy's Appeal For Mercy

Peiping, Mar. 22. The Manchukuo-born Princess, Yoshioka Kawashima, "whose execution now awaits only final sanction from Nanking," wrote a letter to her foster-father in Japan, telling him not to be sad.

She also addressed a letter to General Li Tsung-jen, who is Chiang Kai-shek's top man in North China, saying her death sentence was unfair.

The Princess wrote that she was "a little worried" and appealed to Li to have her.

She ended the letter, which consisted of 1,000 characters, with the statement that she wanted to serve the Chinese nation.—Associated Press.

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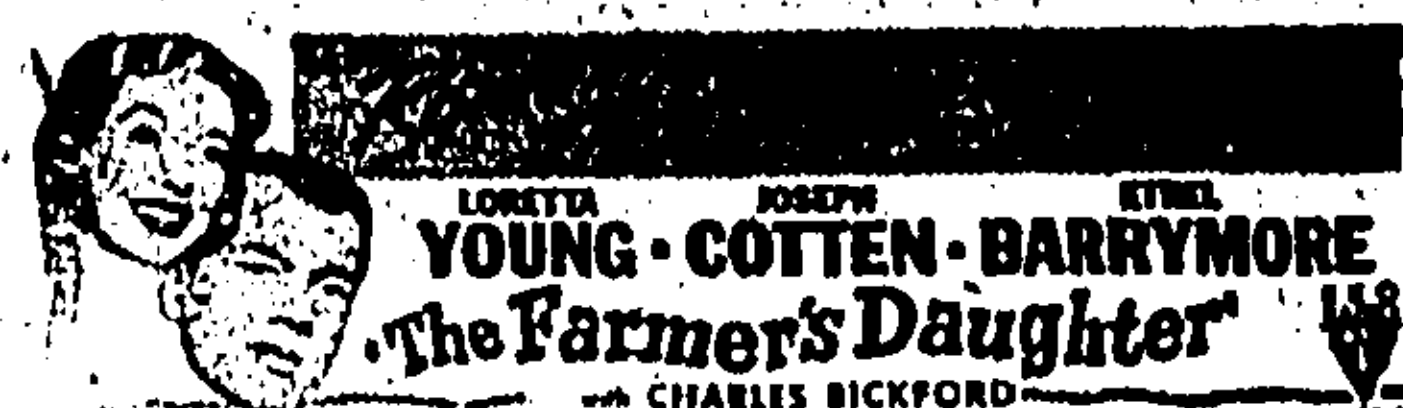
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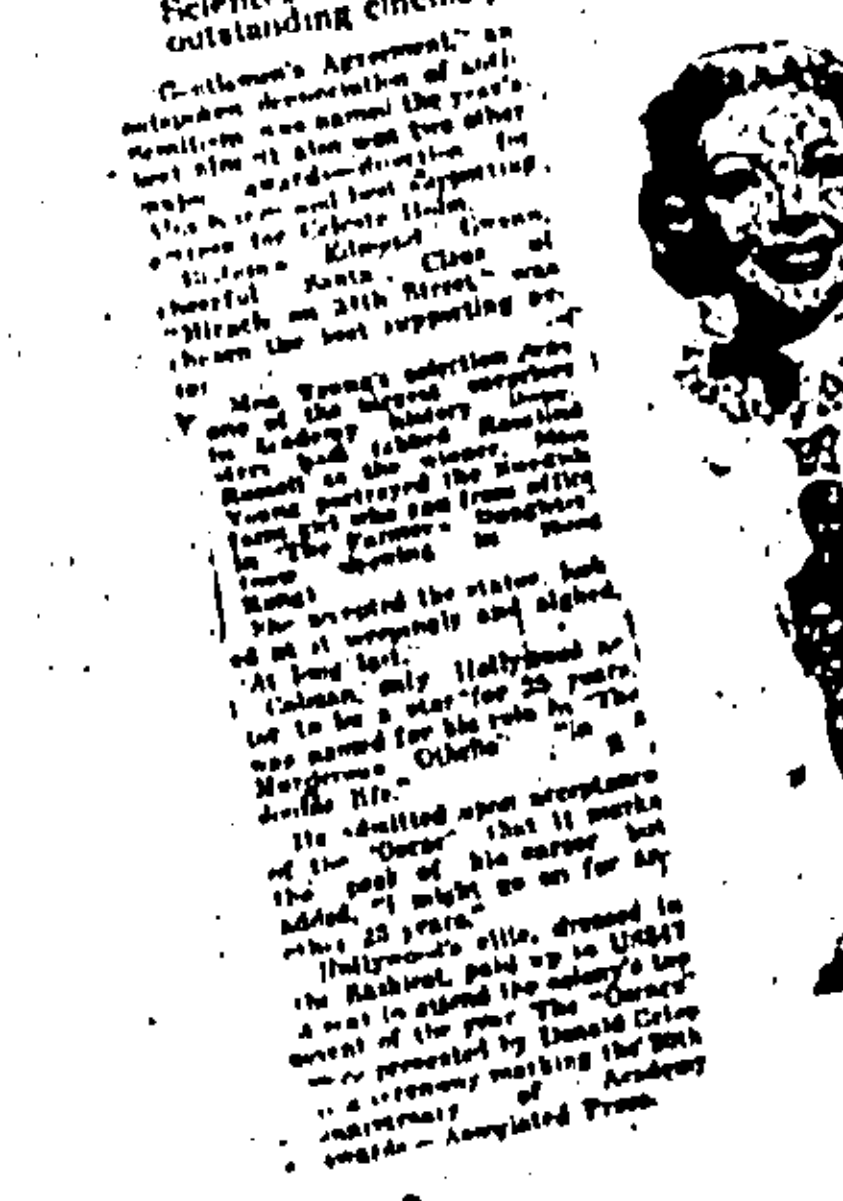


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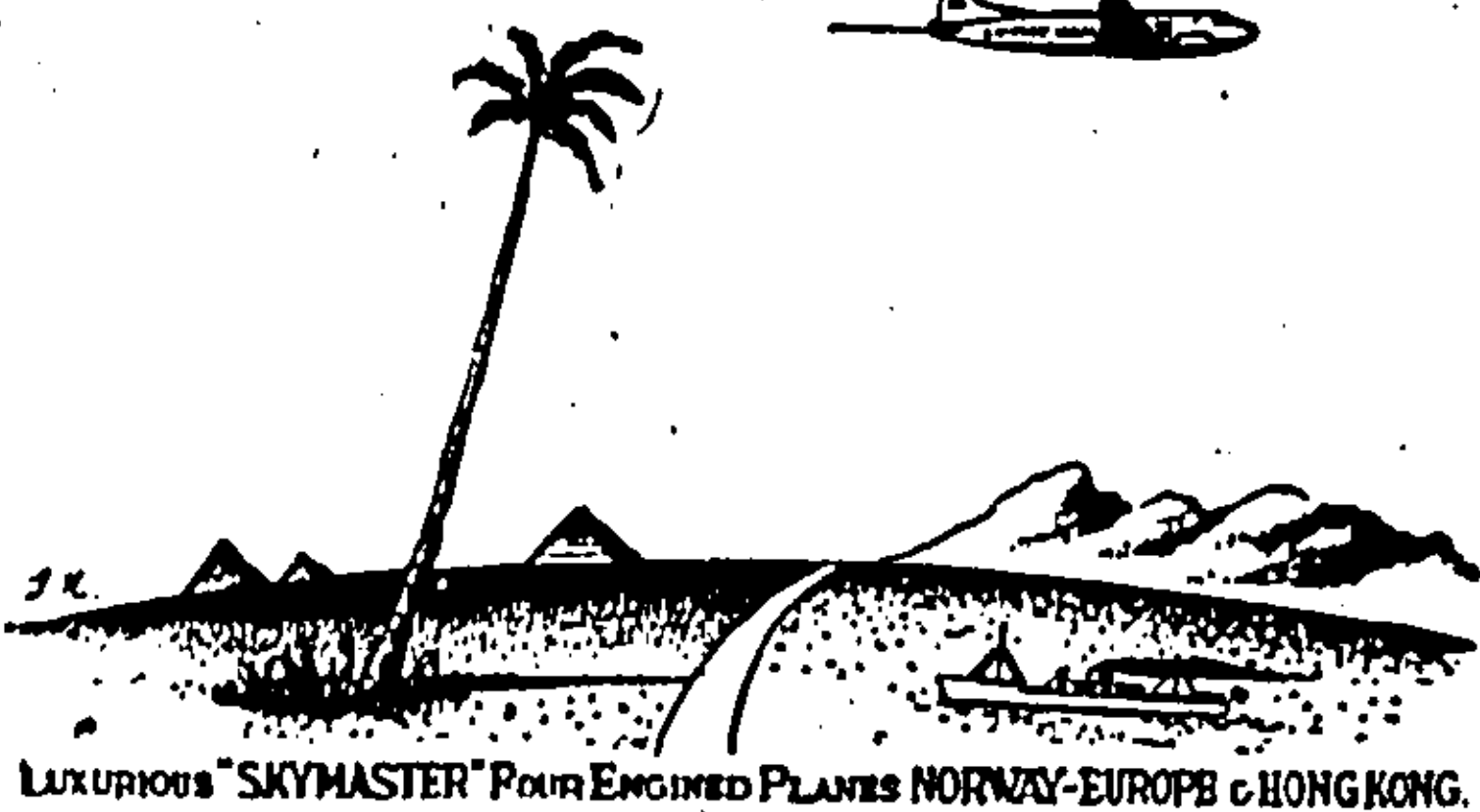
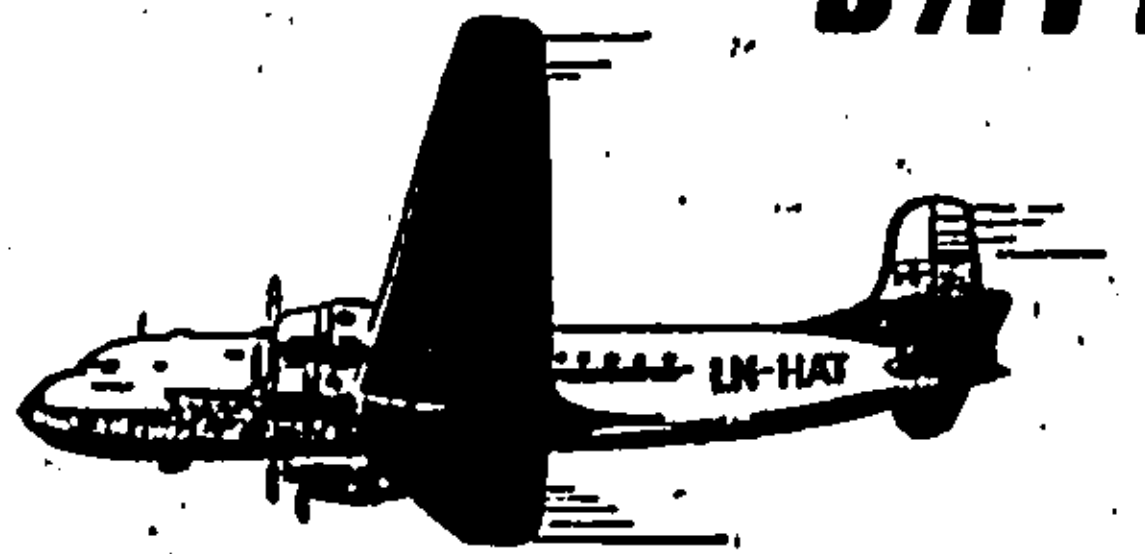
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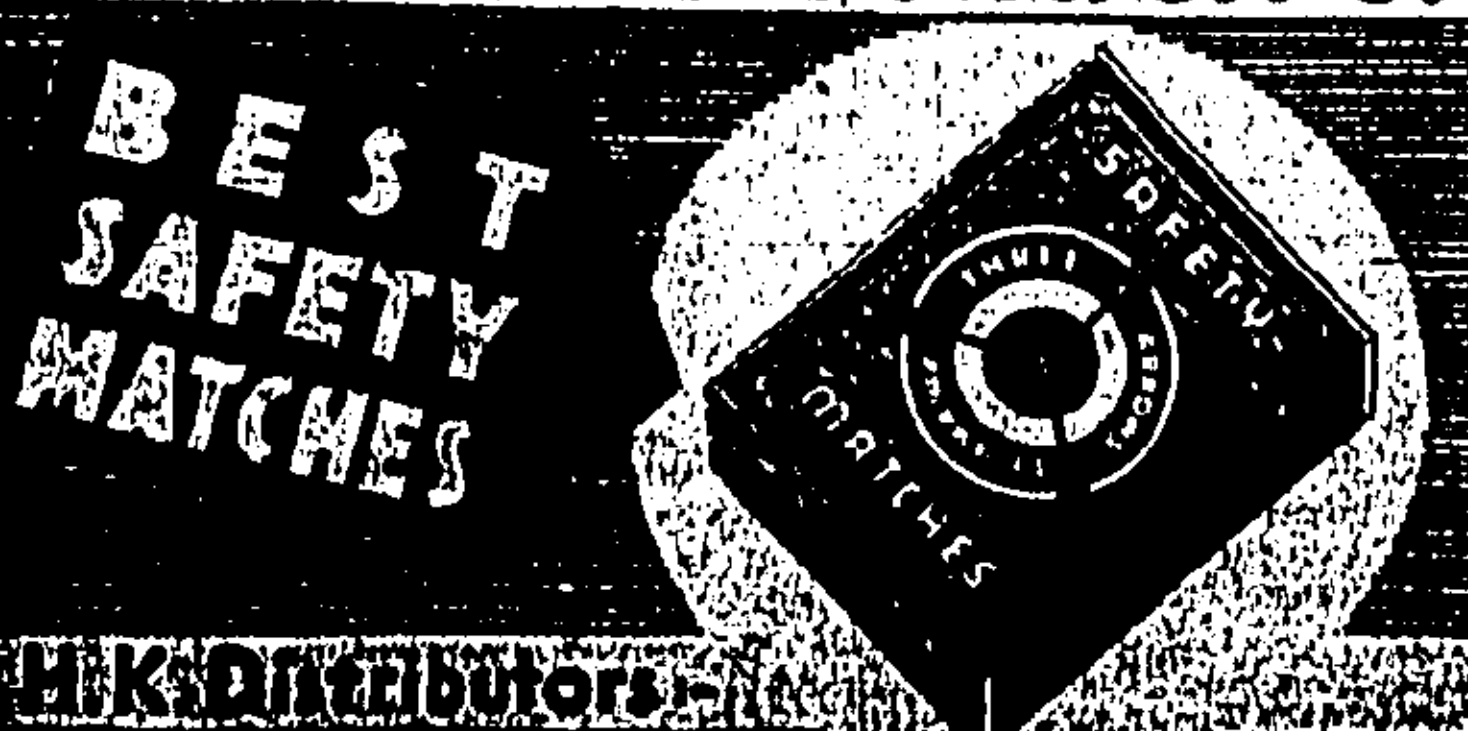
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AMERICAN SUPPORT OF ITALY

Latest U.S. Move To Combat Communism

British Agreement Thought Unlikely

Washington, Mar. 21.

The return of her colonies to Italy presents far greater difficulties than the offer of a return to Italy of Trieste, which has always been favoured by the United States. It is difficult for Britain to agree to the return of Cyrenaica to Italian administration because of Britain's wartime promises to the Senussi inhabitants of that colony that they would never again be put under Italian rule.

Another announcement on these subjects will be made by the State Department or the White House in accordance with the coordinated programme of supporting resistance to totalitarianism which Mr. George Marshall, the Secretary of State, has so often called for.

Avoiding a dissipation of American diplomatic force over a large area with the wisdom of a former military Chief of Staff, Mr. Marshall appears to be concentrating his efforts on the supreme objective of assisting those Italians who wish to prevent a Communist victory at the elections on April 18.

In speeches in the last 10 days, both President Truman and Mr. Marshall have made it clear that this is part of an overall strategy openly designed to prevent Russia subjugating Europe.

Four Principles

An analysis of Mr. Marshall's statement during this time reveals four basic principles:

- 1.—The United States cannot agree to any further changes in Europe brought about by force and a threat of force instead of reasoned democratic procedure.
- 2.—The United States will automatically end any economic assistance to governments which come under Communist domination.
- 3.—Although the United States Government regards European developments as only part of a world-wide struggle between freedom and tyranny, it is concentrating its efforts on Europe for the present.
- 4.—The United States is prepared to back up its policies with all its resources and is strengthening its military position to provide greater support to free countries resisting pressure.

There has not yet been a clear

statement of American military commitments in Europe.

Ready To Move

Two leading American diplomatic correspondents stated today, however, that the United States was prepared to move armed forces into strategic areas of Europe if necessary.

Mr. Felix Delair, of the New York Times, wrote: "Militarily, we hope to prevent any overt hostile act by Russia by showing we mean business."

"Meanwhile, we are preparing to meet any actual outbreak of hostilities and to move armed forces into strategic areas if all efforts to prevent an outbreak fail."

Mr. Jack Werkey, of the New York Herald Tribune, wrote: "If all Italy falls under Communist domination and resultant Soviet control, the United States is virtually certain to move armed forces, with the support of its Western European Allies, into strategic areas."—Reuter.

DE GAULLE MAN IN

Paris, Mar. 21.
A De Gaulle candidate was elected in a by-election for a Town Council seat in Pithiviers, Central France, today by a majority of 3,537 votes.

WAR MIGHT COME BY ACCIDENT

New York, Mar. 21.
War might happen by accident, M. F. M. Mos, Norwegian delegate to the United Nations, said when he arrived by air today from Paris, where he attended the 16-nation Conference.

He described the European political situation as "rather serious", but said he was still optimistic about the prospect for peace.

"However, as long as this cold war goes on, it is a very unpleasant state of affairs," he said.

"I do not think any of the great powers would start a war, or rather, putting it this way, I think all the great powers, including the Soviet Union, will do their utmost to avoid war. But it might happen by accident."—Reuter.

Milan Anti-Red Parade

Rome, Mar. 21.

First fights broke out in Milan tonight when 30,000 students, hailed the Big Three Trieste proposal and demonstrated against the Communists, crying "Long Live America."

Communist-led newspaper workers declared a 24-hour national strike, effective midnight.

A rally by students in Milan turned into an anti-Communist demonstration. The students marched to the Czech Consulate, chanting "Masaryk," while another column marched to the American Consulate.

Fist fights and scuffles with Leftists broke out on the fringe of the crowd, but a heavy police guard prevented serious clashes.

Waving Italian Trieste flags as they marched and sang, the students invaded Milan Cathedral Square, once an exclusive Communist stamping ground. They were cheered wildly by spectators.

Liberal Roberto Lucifero, who was making an election speech in the Square, switched abruptly to an anti-Communist oration, vowing that his party would never collaborate with the Communists. — United Press.

50 Planes Destroyed

Oklahoma City, Mar. 21.
A tornado, which took 100 acres of land as it tore through the town, destroyed 50 planes at the Air Force Base for seven minutes last night, caused damage officially estimated today at US\$15,000,000 to aircraft alone.

Two soldiers and four civilians were injured, none seriously, by flying glass.

Fifty planes were listed as destroyed and 50 others damaged to varying degrees. One hundred special purpose vehicles also were damaged, base officers reported.

The base is the United States' largest repair and maintenance depot.—Associated Press.

Code Of Ethics For Journalists?

Geneva, Mar. 22.

Representatives of Australia and Mexico indicated today they will oppose any Soviet proposals for imposing government censorship or criminal penalties on newspapers.

Alan Watt, head of the Australian delegation, and Paul Noriega, chief Mexican delegate, gave their countries' views on their arrival here for the "International Freedom of Information Conference" opening next Tuesday.

They are the first delegation heads to reach Geneva. Most of the others, including the Americans and Russians, are not expected until Monday. An advance guard of three Soviet delegates arrived last night.

Watt flew here from Moscow, where he is the Australian Minister. He said Australia is opposed to censorship and criminal penalties as a means of combatting warmongering. He said the Australian Foreign Minister, Dr. Herbert V. Evatt, argued at the last meeting of the UN Assembly that more and diverse means of information is the best means of countering warmongering.

Noriega, alternate Mexican delegate to UN and former editor of the Mexican paper "Nacional," also opposed any restrictive legislation in connection with warmongering. He said both warmongering and news distortion are moral problems which the press itself should cure.

Nevertheless, he thought the conference should pass a resolution condemning such practices.

He also suggested that journalists attending the conference draft their own code of ethics.

"It's up to journalism to keep its own house in order and protect its good name," he said.

"Possibly each country could set up an Institute of Journalism to distinguish between professional journalists and occasional journalists. They might set up a self-disciplining code of conduct."

Noriega said he would wait and see how the conference develops before deciding whether to make his proposals formally.

One country—Haiti—has notified that it will be unable to attend the conference. That leaves 67 scheduled to be represented at the opening plenary session Tuesday morning.—United Press.

Charges By Izvestia

Moscow, Mar. 21.

Izvestia, the Soviet Government newspaper, today charged that Britain was failing to observe Article 7 of the Anglo-Soviet treaty obliging both sides not to join in coalitions directed against the other.

Izvestia made the charge in a comment on a question in the House of Commons on March 10, when Mr. Henry Strauss, Conservative, asked the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, whether he had drawn the Soviet Government's attention to Article 5 of the treaty in which the contracting powers pledged themselves to the principle of "non-interference in the affairs of other States."

Izvestia declared that the question, in which Mr. Strauss said the recent Russian conduct had violated this clause of the treaty, was made with "a malicious purpose."—Reuter.

Stage Star Victimised

London, Mar. 21.

Thieves ransacked the apartment of Gladys Cooper, late last night and robbed the actress of jewellery and furs of an estimated value of £1,000.

The robbery was discovered by Gladys Cooper's daughter, Sally, when she arrived at their West London apartment from the Lyric Theatre where she is appearing.

—Associated Press.

Fighting In Kashmir

Kashmir, Mar. 21.

Forces of the Azad (Free) Kashmir Government repulsed an "enemy" column 1,000-strong, and repulsed the initiative in the Naushera area, about 50 miles south of Poonch, southern Kashmir, an Azad Kashmir Government communiqué claimed today.

It was suggested here yesterday that increasing pressure by the Indian Army in the Naushera district might be the start of a spring offensive.

Today's "Free Kashmir" communiqué added that "the morale of the enemy and his supply stocks are both running low and the enemy is showing increased anxiety and panic on all the other sectors of the front."

"Enemy air activity has increased in the Poonch sector," the communiqué said, "and indiscriminate ineffectual bombing continued throughout the day."—Reuter.

'No Strings' Demand By Socialists

Selsdon Park, Surrey, Mar. 21.

Delegates of Socialist parties from 14 Marshall Plan countries meeting here today to discuss the European recovery programme at a secret conference are believed to have agreed on a demand that "no political or military strings" should be attached to aid from the United States.

They were also understood to have agreed on a resolution that Franco Spain should be excluded from participating in the programme.

A draft resolution tabled by the French delegation advocating a joint super-national authority to distribute aid was referred to a committee for further study.

Most of today's meeting was taken up by discussion of the documents submitted by the British Labour Party and the French Socialist Party—who jointly called the conference together—in how Marshall aid should be administered.

The British document is believed to have advocated a more individual approach by each nation to the United States, while the French proposal would have the United States appoint a committee to administer aid.

RAIDERS IN MADRAS

London, Mar. 21.

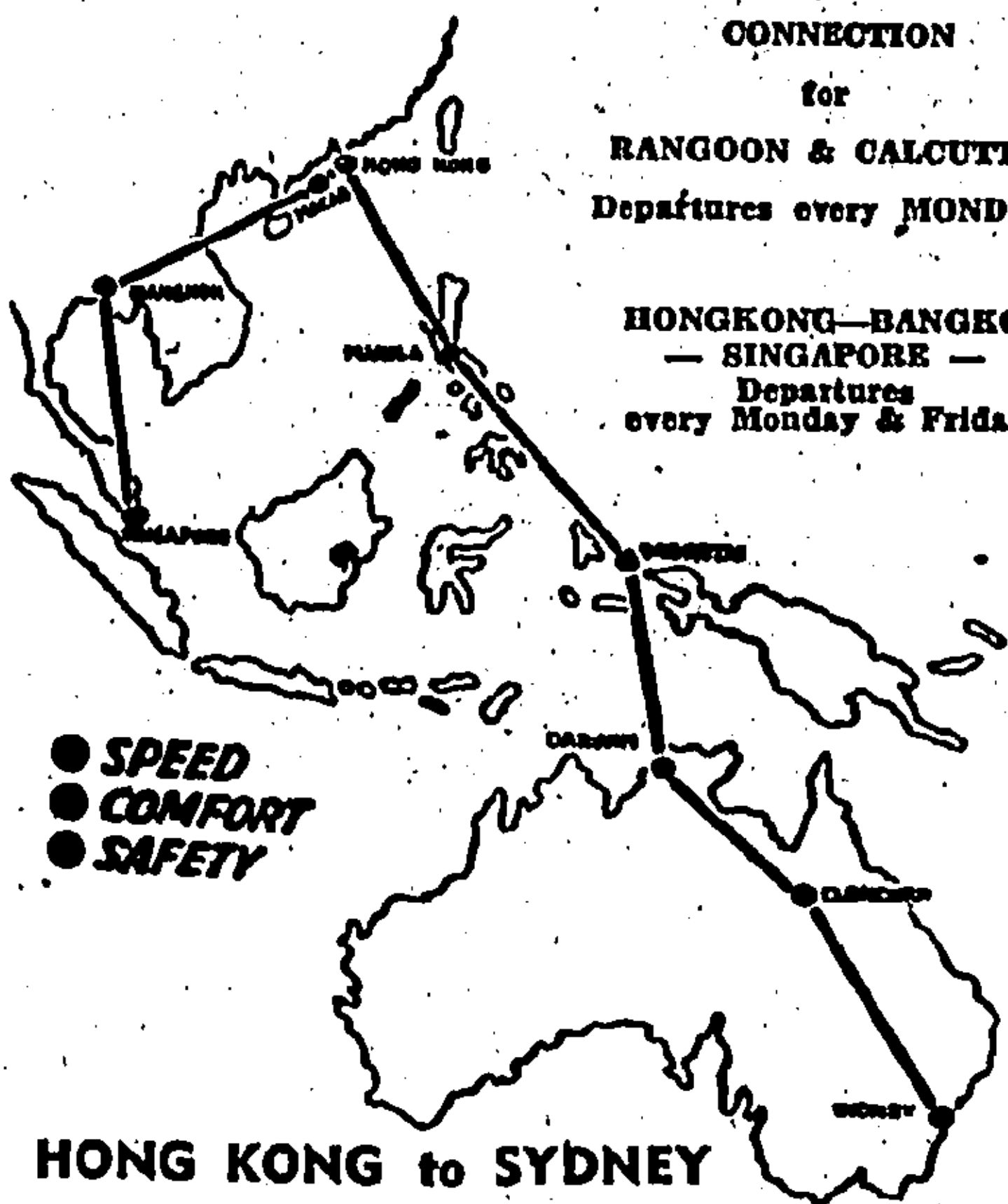
The Madras Government stated today that 10 to 40 armed raiders, bringing guns and bombs, had crossed into the Madras State from Hyderabad (India) and had been seen in the Madras State.

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YOUR HANDS: If you want them soft and smooth for your wedding—and, of course, you do—you'll start using lanoline or camphor ice on them every night. Maybe you haven't been worrying about your hands? They'll be spotlighted, you know, when that wedding-ring is put on your finger. The best idea is to get a professional manicure first, watch carefully how it's done, and then keep your nails in order yourself from then on. Don't wear red nail-polish on your wedding-day—keep it natural or a pale pink. And never long, curved talons—your nails should be oval or almond-shaped.

YOUR HAIR. Our guess is that you started brushing your hair the required hundred strokes each night the moment you met him. Looking healthier, isn't it? And you're interested in smart new ways of making your hair prettier than ever. Here's a simple shampoo you can make yourself. Finely shred 4oz. of pure soap. Place in a saucepan with 1½ pints of cold water and heat slowly, stirring until all the soap particles are melted. Strain through cheese-cloth into an enamel jug and allow to cool. Shampoo the hair with this mixture and rinse thoroughly under running water.

Lightly beat up the yolk of an egg (I said the yolk—we'll find a use for the white later) into a cup of cold water. Pour this over your wet hair and rub in well. Rinse out with the strained juice of a lemon to the warm water, adding the last rinsing water. To dry your hair, rub off the surplus moisture with a warm towel, then brush your hair with a clean hairbrush. Dry the brush on the towel as it gets wet, and repeat the brushing until the hair is quite dry.

Don't have your hair done professionally for your wedding-day if you usually do it yourself. At least you know the results you're going to get, and as hairdressers are not psychic, few can reproduce exactly what you have in mind that first time of trying. Hair usually looks its best not the day after you've washed it, but the day after that, so wash your hair early enough to give it time to settle down.

YOUR FACE. The bridal look is a natural look—so cut down on cosmetics. Work at making your skin pretty before your wedding-day, pretty enough to look well with just the lightest touch of cosmetics. Here's where that white of egg comes in handy. Make a pre-wedding face pack of lightly-beaten white of egg, pat it on your face, and leave for 20 minutes. (Be sure your face is cleansed beforehand, either with cleansing milk or cold cream.) After 20 minutes rinse the face with warm water followed by cold. This is to be done the night before THE day. But the usual evening treatment is this: Cleanse your face with a pad of cotton-wool soaked in complexion milk. Wipe it till perfectly clean, then wash it with a bland soap and warm water, followed by cold. And twice a week, put nourishing cream well into the face and leave it

on for 20 minutes before removing with cotton-wool soaked in astringent or witch-hazel.

YOUR MAKE-UP. Let's get it settled once and for all, that you don't use mascara and eye shadow. Before you apply your wedding-day make-up, go over your face with ice-cubes—it helps along that radiant look! Then a little of your liquid powder foundation, then, if possible, cream rouge, because it blends better. Not much, mind you—you're aiming for a becoming pink rather than a hectic glow. Then your powder. Put this one fairly thickly, and

over your mouth, too, then brush it off till all that remains is that smooth, matt look.

Put on your lipstick, and rub it in with your little finger (but see that you get that lipstick off your little finger later), then powder over your mouth again. Blow most of the powder away, and then once more the lipstick. Put a tissue between your lips and press hard, removing the surface lipstick. That should see to it that the bride's kisses don't leave a mark.

You haven't forgotten perfume, have you, and the deodorant details?

Well, then, you're ready to look prettier than you ever believed you'd be... ready to hear them say, "What a beautiful bride!"



Lady Mountbatten levelling cement with a silver trowel for the foundation stone of Miranda House, the proposed residential college for women at Delhi University. (A. F. Photo).

RECIPE

TOMATO AND SAUSAGE TURNOVERS

Two cups self-raising flour, 1 teaspoon salt, 3 dessertspoons margarine or good clean fat, ½ cup milk, ½ lb. sausage meat, pinch herbs, 1 dessertspoon chopped parsley, 1 teaspoon grated onion, 1 teaspoon Worcester'shire sauce, salt and pepper to taste, 2 medium-sized skinned tomatoes.

Sift flour and salt, rub in shortening, mix to a dry dough with milk. Turn on to floured board, roll to this oblong shape. Cut into 8 or 10 squares. Combine meat, herbs, onion, sauce, salt, and pepper. Stir over low heat until meat changes colour. Stir in parsley. Shape into 8 or 10 round flat cakes. Place one on each pastry square, top with a thick slice of tomato. Moisten edges of pastry, fold corners into centre, pressing lightly together. Brush with milk, place on greased oven tray.

Bake in hot oven (450deg F.) 20 to 25 minutes. Serve hot with brown vegetable sauce or tomato sauce.

MISS PRECIOUS MINUTES SAYS

Wash windows with a mixture of one teaspoonful of glycerine to a pint of cold, strained tea. Polish with a soft, dry cloth. Left-over tea from your pot can be saved up for a day or two for this purpose.

Instead of darning large holes in socks, crochet a patch in fine wool or cotton and sew it to the sock.

To clean a rubber sponge easily and quickly, soak in a cupful of tepid water in which a teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda has been dissolved. Rinse thoroughly.

Here's a tip for mushroom lovers: One way to test mushrooms is to stir them with a silver fork or spoon when cooking. If they are not edible, the silver will discolour.

Half a cup of salt dissolved in a cupful of vinegar makes a good disinfectant for the kitchen.

War Over The Hair Waves

War over the half-waves. Until the first safety-razor blade greeted a delighted male world barbers reckoned shaving as one of the services which helped to put jam on their daily bread.

The safety razor wiped off the jam practically overnight. And today the percentage of an average barber's turnover from shaving is narrower than a wafer blade.

Ladies' hairdressers were luckier—until recently, when the firm which killed the barbers' shaving trade moved into their seemingly secure little world.

The keystone of the ladies' hairdressing business is the permanent wave. Arising from

But it did not surprise the inventors, who recalled that one of the first men to demonstrate mechanical methods of perming hair—as opposed to the waving-iron—was greeted with a shower of rotten eggs and tomatoes.

But cold waving caught on. In some hairdressing salons today five out of ten perms are done by the cold method.

The snag with the cold wave—like the safety razor—is that it looks too easy. It seemed that way to an American, Richard Nelson Washburne Harris.

So with his brother he put on the American market an outfit which made home-waving as easy as self-shaving.

Last year the Harris brothers took \$16,000,000 out of the estimated \$1,200,000,000 spent by American women in beauty shops.

In this country too, women have been offered home kits. And although one firm already claims 1,000,000 regular users, hairdressers did not worry unduly.

But now they have heard that the firm which killed the Harris brothers' business in America. Reported figure is \$12,000,000 (the Harris brothers' original investment in 1944 was \$5,000).

Hairdressers are thinking again about home-waving, alarmed by reports that the Harris brothers' kit will be seen here in the next few months.

Plans are being made to persuade women that permanent waving is a professional job needing specialised training.

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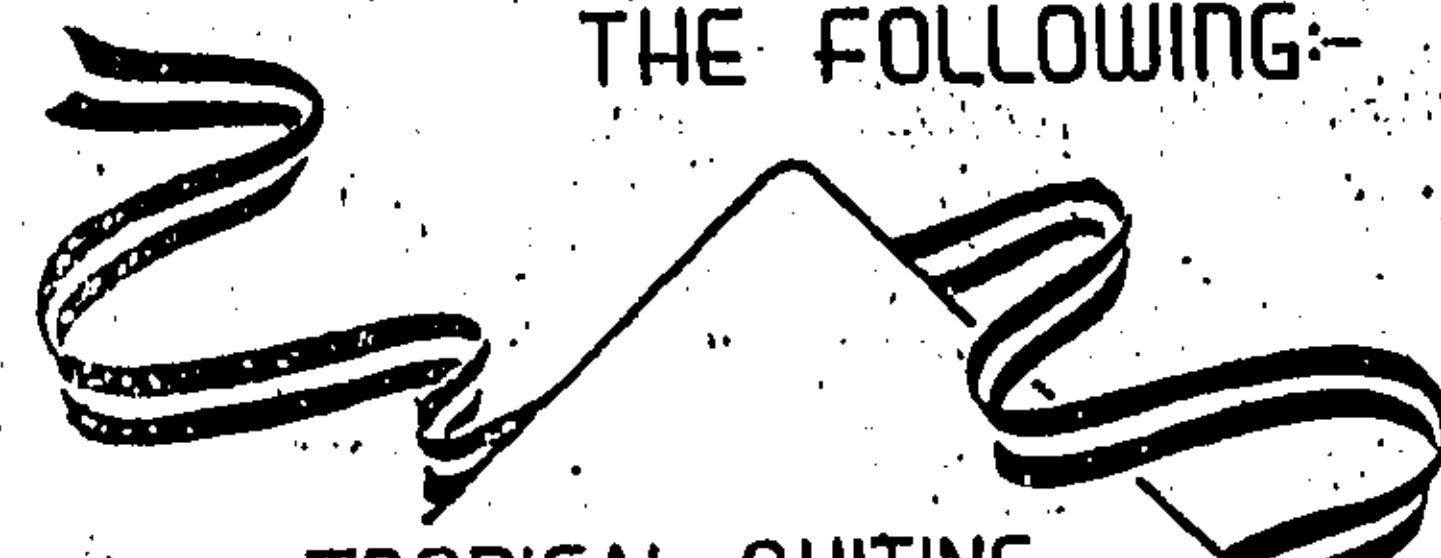
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SOVIET BERLIN WALK-OUT

Control Council Hanging In Balance

Excitement Rises In Berlin

Berlin, Mar. 21.

The future of the Allied Control Council — the highest organ of the four-power Government of Germany — was hanging in the balance today following the action of Marshal Sokolovsky, the Soviet Commander, in abruptly adjourning and quitting a meeting of the Council last night.

Tuesday, when the Council's Coordinating Committee, consisting of the Military Governors' deputies, is due to meet, should bring the first indication whether or not the Russian walkout is final.

A British spokesman said tonight: "All we can do is to wait and see. If the Soviet representative appears at Tuesday's meeting, it will show the Russians have not abandoned the four-power control machinery."

Berlin newspapers today quote General Lucius D. Clay, the United States Military Governor, as saying: "If Marshal Sokolovsky does not summon a meeting of the Allied Control Council on March 30, as he would normally do, then I shall call a meeting on April 10."

Under the scheme by which the chairmanship of the Council is held in monthly rotation, General Clay will take over the chairmanship from Marshal Sokolovsky in April.

Communist Version

The reaction of the average Berliner to the news of the Council's clash was to shrug his shoulders a little more nervously than usual and to say: "It looks bad—but we Germans cannot do anything about it."

Tagliche Rundschau, official newspaper of the Soviet military administration in Germany, told its German readers in a black headline: "The Western Powers Destroy the Control Council."

In a subsidiary headline, it added: "The Control Council for all practical purposes exists no longer as the organ of the highest power in Germany." Tagliche Rundschau said that since the British and Americans had refused to report on the London Conference, Marshal Sokolovsky, "who saw there was no more purpose in the meeting, declared, yesterday's meeting at an end."

"At An End"

It was Marshal Sokolovsky's declaration that "this meeting" was adjourned which led Allied quarters yesterday to take the line that the Soviet walkout had applied only to a single session and not to the continuing functioning of the Council. Whether significantly or not, the official Russian text of Marshal Sokolovsky's statement makes the same specific reference to the Marshal having declared "yesterday's meeting at an end."

The banner headlines given the story in the Tagliche Rundschau, however, clearly imply that the Soviet Command considered the Council to have ceased functioning.

Neues Deutschland, newspaper of the Socialist Unity Party, published the same Soviet news agency account of the meeting under the headlines: "Western Powers want to wreck Control Council."

Other Soviet-licensed newspapers carry only very brief accounts under "neutral" headlines.—Reuter.

UNION DEMANDS IN JAPAN

Tokyo, Mar. 21.

The Federated Council of the City Government and Municipal Employees Unions, embracing nearly 2,000,000 members, has decided to fight the Government to the bitter end, it was learned reliably tonight.

The unions want the establishment of a minimum wage system, prevention of revision of the labour laws and the payment of salaries on the new 2,920 yen per month basis by March 23, otherwise the unions will go on strike as from that date.—Reuter.

General's Order

Prague, Mar. 21.

A promise of no political discrimination in Czechoslovakia army appointments was made today in a special order signed by General Ludvik Svoboda, the War Minister, and published in the army newspaper Obrana Lidu.

Calling for the army's loyalty to the Government and the people, the order said: "In this matter, no compromise or reservation is admissible."

Of foreign policy, the order said Czechoslovakia had to choose between Germany and the Soviet Union, and to have gone with Germany would have meant "suicide and death."

Treaties between Czechoslovakia, the Soviet Union, Yugoslavia and Poland formed a "Magna Carta" of foreign policy which was not directed against anybody who respected the sovereignty and internal conditions of the state. This policy would remain permanent.—Reuter.

GREEK QUEEN'S OPERATION

Athens, Mar. 21.

Queen Frederica of Greece was tonight admitted to the Red Cross Hospital here suffering from appendicitis and will undergo an operation tomorrow.—Reuter.

European Socialist Split

London, Mar. 21.

Signor Rodolfo Morandi, leader of the Italian majority Socialist "delegation to the London 'Comisco' Conference, declared here tonight that "relations between Italian Socialists and the Social Democrats from Western Europe have become extremely grave."

Signor Morandi was commenting on a statement today by the Labour Party's General Secretary, Mr. Morgan Phillips, that the "Communist group, by their walk-out from the International Socialist Conference yesterday, had severed all connection with the international organization."

"Our Party Executive will have to decide whether we shall continue to collaborate at the international meetings summoned by the Western Socialists," Signor Morandi said. "I consider that there is very little chance that we will attend the next International Socialist Conference in Vienna this summer. The resolution passed yesterday addressing 'a final appeal' to Italian Socialists will have no consequences on the present Italian political situation."

"I believe that the right wing Socialists of Saragat and Lombardo will have more than 20 to 30 deputies in the next Italian Parliament," he added.

Signor Morandi said he was returning to Rome on Tuesday or Wednesday.—Reuter.

SOVIET SHIP PICKETED

Jersey City, Mar. 22.

Twenty-five Catholic war veterans today picketed the 10,000-ton Soviet freighter, Chukotka, which is being loaded with machinery for Russia.

The pickets carried signs reading, "Supplies now. Draft to tomorrow." "Remember scrap metal we sent Japan." "Stop aid to Russia." "Hitler and Mussolini only amateurs compared to Paul Joey." The Chukotka arrived with two other Russian ships that already have sailed with similar cargoes of machinery.—United Press.

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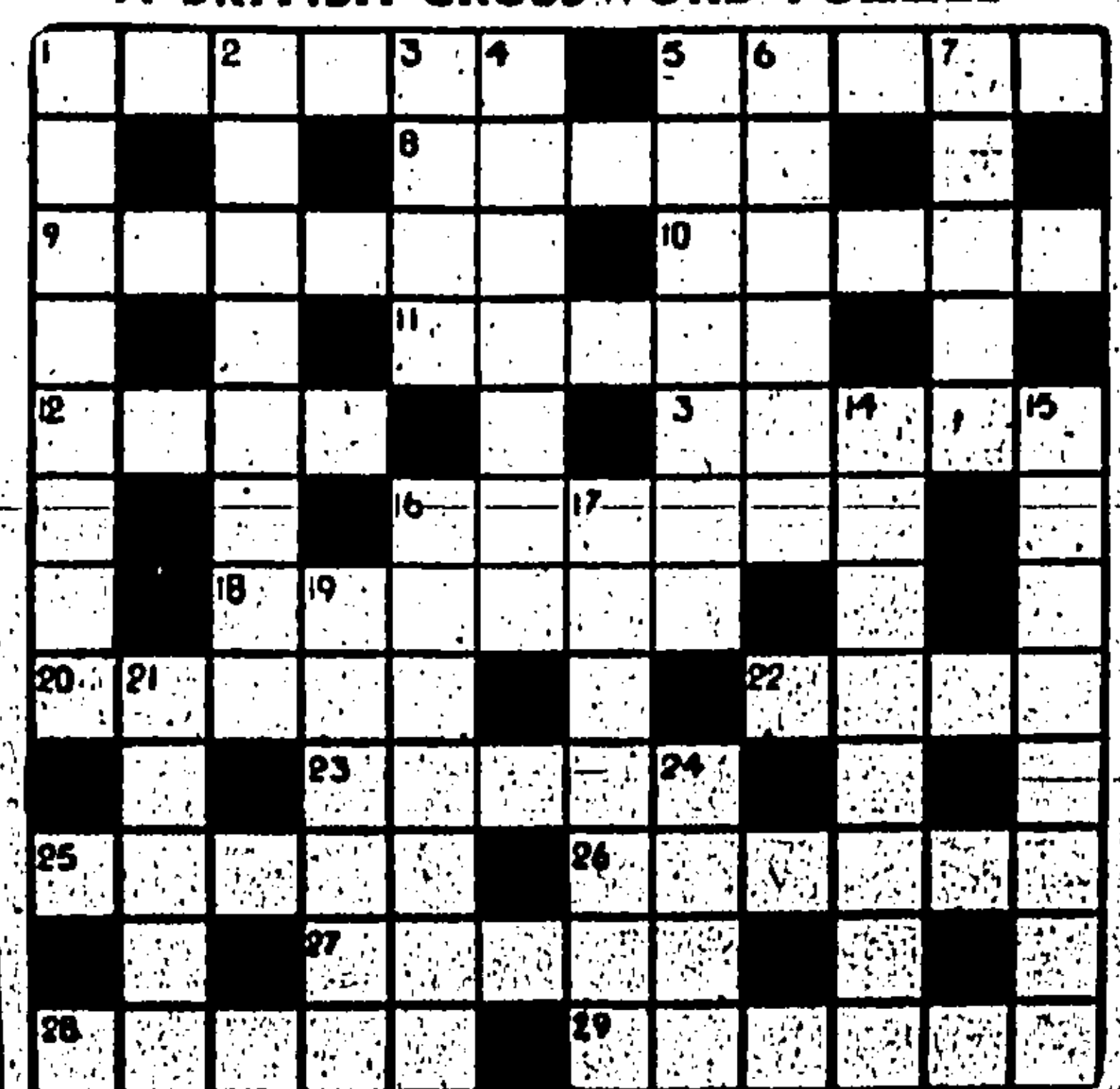
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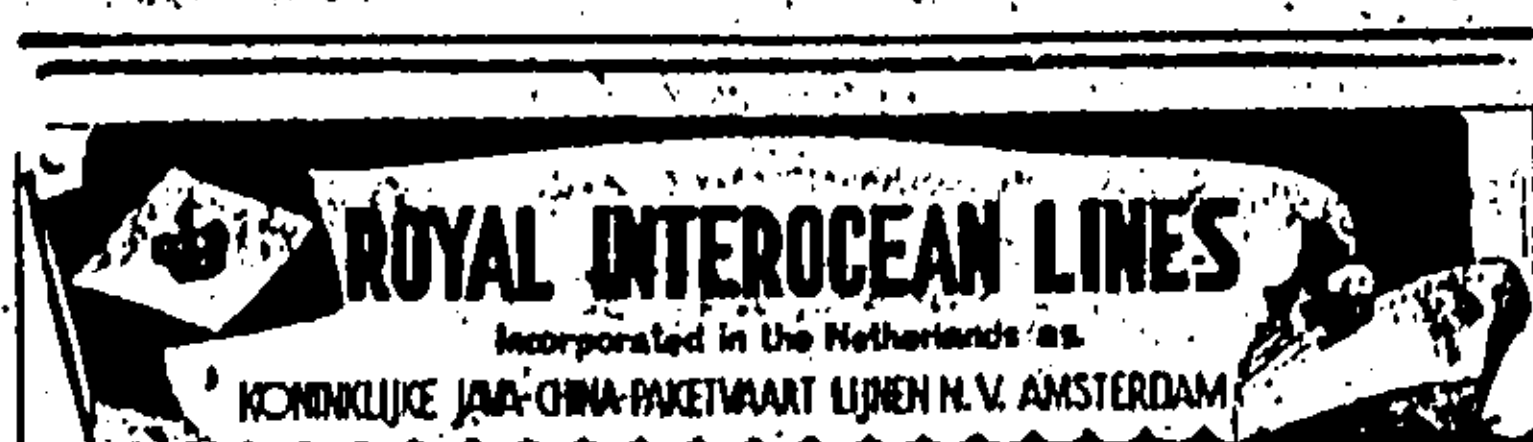
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9. Expunge.	9. Slips along.
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12. Face.	12. Myths.
13. Atmosphere.	13. To come into.
14. Additional.	14. Stew.
15. Required.	15. Tolls.
16. Degrees.	16. Stagger.
17. Requested.	
18. Slips along.	

Yesterday's Crossword

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Shanghai, Mar. 22. The rice crisis in Shanghai has been aggravated in the past 24 hours when the price of the best grade rice touched a new record of CN\$4,500,000 per picul of 170 lbs.

Rice merchants blamed the rise on the greatly increased outlay involved in transportation and "social" entertainment.

They asserted that farmers, at present, refuse to sell their stocks due to price fluctuations and that it required a lot of talk and entertainment before they can be persuaded to release some of their stocks.

Government circles, as usual, attributed the rise to manipulations by unscrupulous merchants.

Canton Navy Activities

Canton, Mar. 22. Commodore Yang Yuan-chung confirmed today he would take over the post of commandant of the Fourth Naval District with headquarters in Canton on March 22. He will succeed Commodore Y. L. King (Chih Lun) who will be appointed to the Keelung command in Formosa.

Yang said he will obtain more warships to suppress piracy and smuggling but that a good many naval vessels were needed on the Yangtze River and in North China. He said the Navy is cooperating closely with the military and the customs in preventing smuggling.

The Commodore said that a floating drydock in Amoy which can accommodate ships of 4,000 tons with 18 feet draught, will be sent to Canton and that in the future Naval Headquarters will be in Whampoa Island.

Yang added that throughout the Pacific war he was at first Naval Liaison officer and later assistant Naval attaché in the Chinese Embassy in Washington, D. C.—Associated Press.

Reversing Inflation

Rome, Mar. 21. The Italian Ministry of the Treasury announced today that circulation of Bank of Italy notes between Feb. 1 and 29 was reduced by 29,616,000,000 lire.

Financial circles hailed the announcement as indicating a reversal of the inflationary trend.

The Finance Minister, Giuseppe Pella, told the Provincial Economic Council last night that the reduction in circulation indicated the increased confidence of savers in the safety of their bank deposits. He said Italy could meet future extraordinary expenditures without resorting to the printing of new banknotes, solely by "contributions provided by the Marshall Plan."

WAGE DISPUTE

Shanghai, Mar. 22. The local Labour Arbitration Committee, at the request of the Social Affairs Bureau, will begin considering today the delicate problem of solving the difficulties of local manufacturers who claim that mounting wages paid to workers are proving beyond their capacity.

The investigation was ordered following a flood of appeals from industries for authorisation to pay wages on the basis of the cost of living index of the preceding month because of financial difficulty.—Reuter.

CEYLON POUND BALANCES

London, Mar. 21. Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, Ceylon's Minister for Home Affairs, arrived here by air tonight for discussions with the Treasury on Ceylon's sterling balances.

He is also to talk with the Minister for Civil Aviation, Lord Nathan, on the question of a Singapore-Colombo-London air link, which, he will suggest, should be operated by Ceylon in cooperation with the British Overseas Airways Corporation.—Reuter.

Money Market

Gold went on the down grade yesterday as it slid down to \$331.50 a tael shortly after opening at \$330. At the close it recovered slightly to \$332.25. U.S. dollars remained steady at \$5.73 for notes, \$5.65 for drafts and \$5.65 for T.T.

Sterling was quoted at \$13.20 and Australian pounds at \$12.53. Pinsters opened at \$12.35, fell to \$12.25 and closed at \$12.50 a 100.

Chinese National Currency futures had a marketless day at 10% cents for CN\$10,000. Spot dropped from 13.6 cents to 12.6 cents.

Ticals and NEI Guilders both declined to \$27.20 and \$31.30 100 respectively.

Expansion Over?

There are also indications that Russia did not contemplate any greater expansion further westward.

This conclusion was substantiated by the fact that Russia's strength lies in manpower and her Far East territory suits these conditions best.

In Manchuria and North Korea, Russia controls rich mineral resources, and neighbouring seas, unlike those in Europe, offer convenient ports for warships and submarines.

Most Active

The Agitation Bureau of the three main operation centres—Organizing Bureau, Political Bureau and Agitation Bureau—is most active in the Far East. It controls operations infiltrating to fighting services, police, social services, local government and councils, resident movements and educational establishments.

It was especially active among what investigators called "various goody-goody societies" connected with youth movements and cultural relations.—United Press.

America Hit By Floods

Chicago, Mar. 21. Spring floods hit the Middle West United States and a storm lashed the Northwestern States as the three-day toll of weather deaths across the nation rose to 55.

The Mississippi River and some of its tributaries surged over the lowlands into some towns of Iowa and Illinois. Flood conditions were worst at Keokuk and Ottumwa in Iowa, Alexandria in Missouri and Quincy in Illinois, which was hit by serious spring floods last year. Floods also plagued sections of North Dakota, Nebraska and Wisconsin.

Thunder showers and light rains fell today from Texas northeastward into the Great Lakes region, causing additional hardship to areas swept by tornadoes on Thursday and Friday.

In the Northwest, torrential rains and 50-mph winds lashed the Pacific Coast from British Columbia to Oregon and swept inland as far as Idaho. The storm crippled two small craft.—United Press.

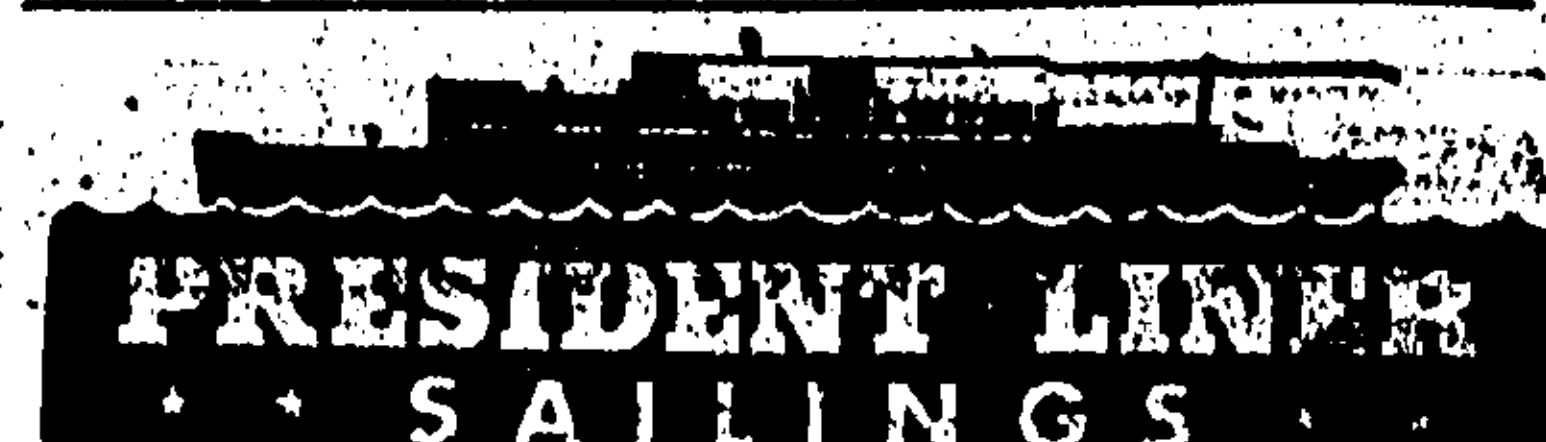
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"TSINAN"	Singapore, Penang	4 p.m. 25th Mar.
"SHENKING"	Shanghai	4 p.m. 26th Mar.
"NANCHANG"	Singapore	4 p.m. 26th Mar.
"POYANG"	Penang	7 a.m. 31st Mar.
"SOOCHOW"	Amoy & Fuzhou	4 p.m. 31st Mar.
"YUNNAN"	Singapore	4 p.m. 1st April
"SZECHUEN"	Swatow, Bangkok & Saigon	10 a.m. 4th April

ARRIVALS FROM

"TSINAN"	Swatow	9 a.m. 24th Mar.
"SHENKING"	Shanghai	7 a.m. 25th Mar.
"NANCHANG"	Shanghai, Keelung	27th Mar.
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Arrivals From:

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Mar. 24, BOAC (Capt. Stend)	2 p.m.	Manila
Mar. 23, Cathay Pacific, 12.30	p.m.	Manila
Mar. 23, Philippine Airlines, 10 a.m.		Manila
Mar. 24, Pan-American, 12.45	p.m.	Manila
Mar. 26, Cathay Pacific, 12.30	p.m.	Manila
Daily, CNAC, 10.45 a.m.		Manila
Mar. 24, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.		Manila
Mar. 24, Philippine Airways, 12 noon		Manila
Mar. 25, Pan-American, 4.45	p.m.	Manila
Mar. 26, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.		Manila

Canton	H.K. Airways, four times daily: 10.55 a.m., 1.05 p.m., 3.35 p.m., 5.55 p.m.
San Francisco	(Via Honolulu, Wake Guam, Manila)
Mar. 24, Pan-American, 12.45	p.m.
Mar. 27, Pan-American, 12.45	p.m.
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Mar. 25, Pan-American, 4.45	p.m.
Singapore via Bangkok	Mar. 24, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.
Mar. 28, Cathay Pacific, 2	p.m.

Departures To:

Poole via Bangkok

Mar. 24, BOAC (Capt. Payne)	8 a.m.	Manila	Karafutan (Jardine)	King	Levi (Swedish)	H.H. Wynn
Mar. 23, Cathay Pacific, 12.30 p.m.			Land Walmer (Whoslock)			Y.M.
			Larklock (Wallens)			Yamamoto
			Lightning (U.S.I.)			
			Marlock (Wallens)			
Mar. 22, BOAC (Capt. Briggs)	7.30 a.m.	Singapore	Menzies (B. & S.)			Holtie W.
			New-Holland (R.H.L.)			
			Pakhoi (H. & S.)			
			Panhaman (Wallens)			S. Carter
			Pinklock (Wallens)			Yamamoto
Daily, CNAC, 11.45 a.m.			Potrel (M.M.)			K. W.
Mar. 23, H.K. Airways, 10 a.m.			Shantung (B. & S.)			Yin
Mar. 23, Philippine Airlines, 11 a.m.			Sinking (B. & S.)			Cust. W.
Mar. 25, H.K. Airways, 10 a.m.			Solarium (B. & S.)			Taitok D.
			Soocher (B. & S.)			Taitok D.
			Stanhound (U.S.I.)			K. W.
			Surprise (U.S.I.)			
H.K. Airways, four times daily: 9 a.m., 11.20 a.m., 1.40 p.m., 4 p.m.		Canton	Tai Chuan Shai (Shun Cheong)			
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			Tai Shai (China Pacific)			S.S.
			Tatung (C. & S.)			S.S.
			Torkhead (Everett)			
			Volatila (C. & S.)			Tai Tok T.
			Wangshu (B. & S.)			S. Carter
			William (Net (Everett)			
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Airmail for Singapore, Sourabaya, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m. (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.	
Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin and Peking: Airmail for Canton, Amoy and Fuzhou: Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m. (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.	

Closing Times By Sea and Train

Canton, 7 a.m.	
Macao, Tientsin and Shensi, 8 a.m.	
Manila, 9 a.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt, Marseilles and United Kingdom via Liverpool, (Par.) 1 p.m. (Reg.) 9.30 a.m. (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.	
Macao, Tientsin and Shensi, 2 p.m.	
Canton, 2 p.m.	
Hankow and Tientsin, 2 p.m.	
Japan (Ord. letters and cards only), 3 p.m.	
Poohow, 3 p.m.	
Macao, Tientsin and Shensi, 4 p.m.	
Shanghai, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada), (Par. and Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.	
Kowloon, 5 p.m.	
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